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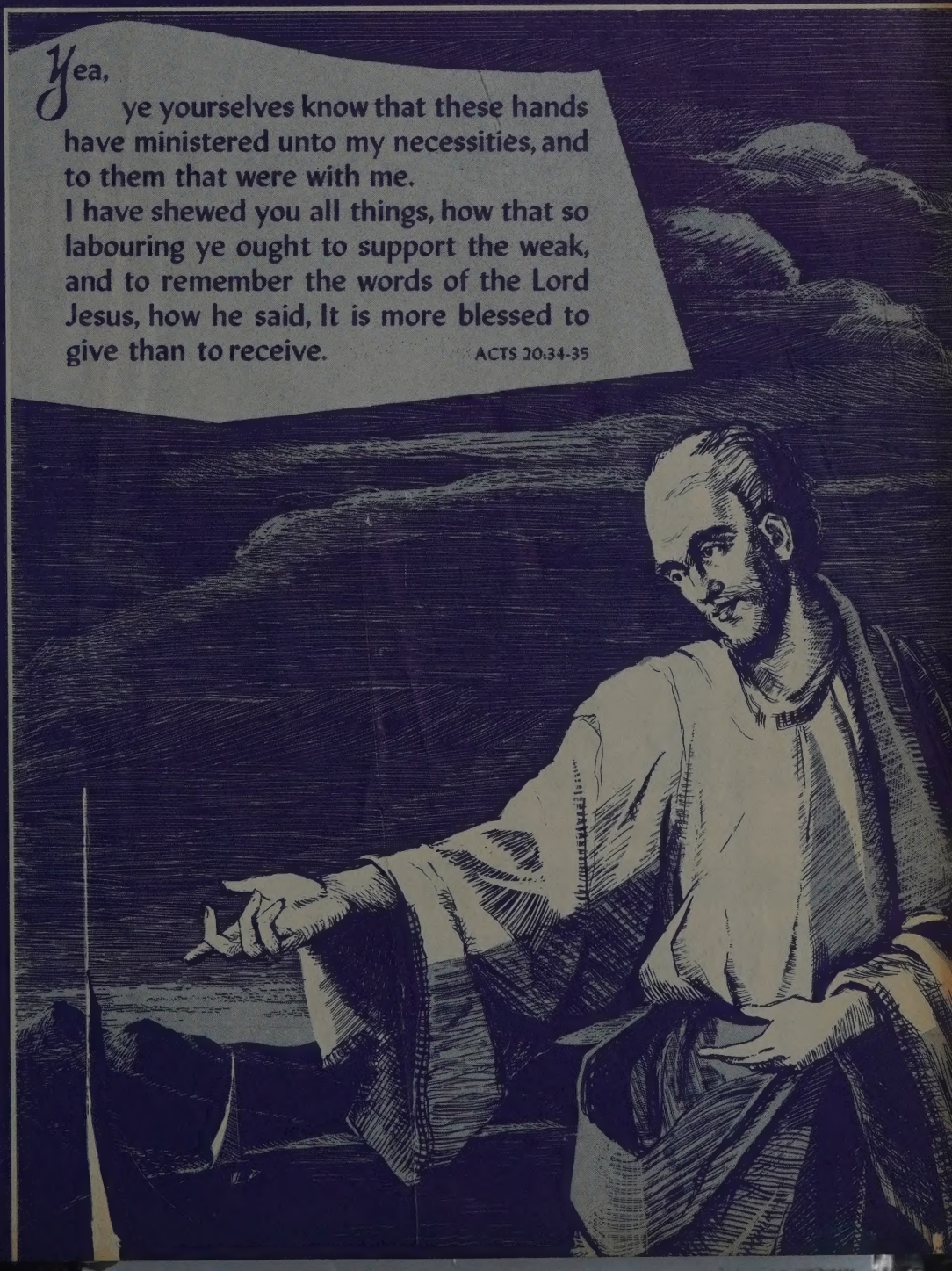
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ye yourselves know that these hands have ministered unto my necessities, and to them that were with me.
I have shewed you all things, how that so labouring ye ought to support the weak, and to remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he said, It is more blessed to give than to receive.
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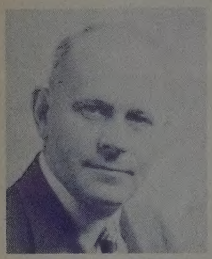

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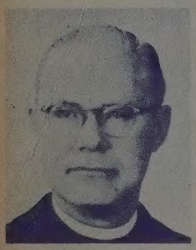

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Let ours be a living faith!

Praise God that we have come to know Him, whom to know is life everlasting. We have become possessors of that faith once entrusted to the saints—for there is no other name under heaven given amongst men, whereby man can be saved.

But once having become possessors, there are warnings too. "Even so faith, if it hath not works is dead."

That is where the "ministry of mercy" comes in. To prove that there is a living faith, that there is compassion in our time, dispensed in the spirit and in the name of the all compassionate One.

"They that are strong, ought to bear the burdens of the weak," or else God pity us. Strength and energy can be dissipated too. There is also the admonition to "weary not in well doing" but to carry on to the end.

We have work to do, now while daylight lasts. Night cometh and the hour is late. It is late for many to perform deeds of mercy, let us hope not too late.

Many are content to receive only the crumbs from the tables of those who are feasting, and satisfied to touch only the "hem of His garment."

We who are the harbingers of His grace, we who know the joy of the redeemed heart, and by grace are numbered amongst the repossessed, ought to be up and doing—to tell of Him who is the light of the world, the refuge of the broken hearted, friend of the poor, rescuer of the perishing, and the hope of the dying.

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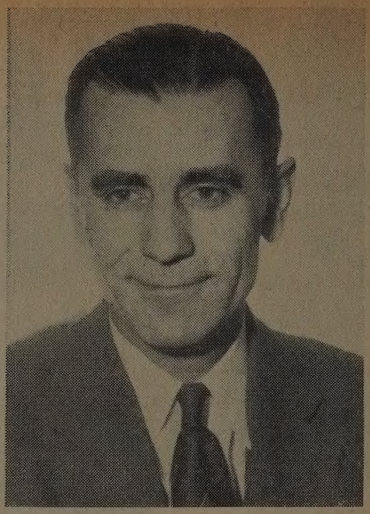
The Church in Today's World

Henry J. Whiting
Executive Secretary, Division of Welfare
National Lutheran Council



We stand today as legatees of a vast network of health and welfare agencies and institutions. Our forefathers, motivated by the love of Christ and a deep desire to share that love with the orphaned, the sick, and the aging, erected institutions and established agencies to meet pressing human needs of their day. Throughout the United States today there are 70 agencies and institutions for child care, 135 institutions for the aging, 100 general or specialized hospitals. In addition there are many other services including settlement and neighborhood centers, seamen's agencies, homes for unwed mothers.

The Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council is organized to assist the boards of charities of the Churches participating in the National Lutheran Council in the strengthening and extension of this vital segment of Kingdom work—a Christian ministry of mercy. Six of these Churches now have boards of charities and three of these six maintain staff. No other Protestant church in America is so well organized through boards or staffed with personnel as the Lutheran Church.

Churches Plan Together

The Division of Welfare of the National Lutheran Council provides opportunities by which the participating churches may gather together for discussion of common problems, sharing information, and planning together. A listing of the committees operating under the Division of Welfare reveals the nature and extent of the areas included. Here are a number of "tables" around which men and women from all the church bodies of the National Lutheran Council are gathered:

Cabinet of Secretaries of Church Welfare Boards
Committee on Services to the Aging
Committee on Services to Children and Families
Committee on Chaplaincy Services and Clinical Training
Committee on Special Services
Committee on Recruitment and Placement
Committee on Social Trends

Each of the committees meets regularly to explore developing trends in program and practice in its particular area. For example, the Committee on Services to the Aging is making a study at the present time admission policies and procedures in Lutheran ho for the aged. When the study is completed, the com tee will prepare a report of its findings and distrib appropriate material. It is also preparing a statem of standards for Lutheran homes for the aged. Committee on Chaplaincy Services is reviewing whole area of clinical training in pastoral care. Committee on Recruitment is studying the person situation among Lutheran health and welfare agen and will seek to develop plans for an aggressive p gram of recruitment. In these and many other import areas, the Division of Welfare provides the mem churches opportunities for studying and seeking so tion to their common problems.

The Division of Welfare also maintains a staff consultants who are available for consultation and fi service to agencies and institutions. As these agen and institutions review their programs, endeavor meet new needs, and relate their services to the t community health and welfare program, they find helpful to receive understanding and skillful coun

Lutheran World Inner Mission Conference

Just recently the Commission on Inner Missions of Lutheran World Federation decided to sponsor a theran World Inner Mission Conference in 1957 p to the Assembly. It has requested the Division of W fare to undertake responsibility for making the necess arrangements and plans.

This will be an historic event for it will mark first world wide inner mission conference under auspices of the Lutheran Church. It will be a privilege to meet and counsel with inner mission a welfare workers of the member churches of the theran World Federation.

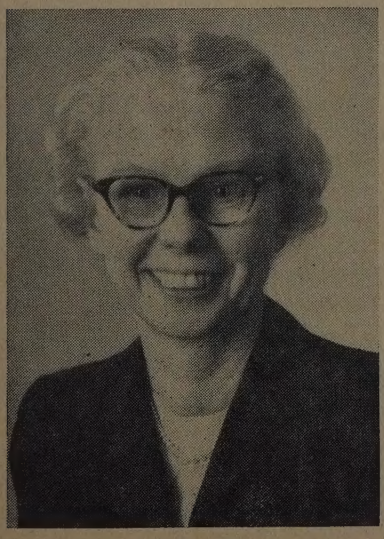
ıe Lutheran Welfare ɔnference in America

\ Fellowship, a Forum and a Conscience for Lutherans in the Field of Welfare and Inner Mission Work

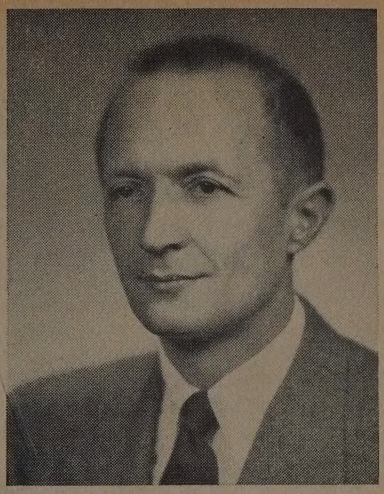
llowship. The best remembered and most cher- aspects of the Lutheran Welfare Conference are egional and national meetings held in alternate Here many of us in the field of social service various synods of the National Lutheran Council old and new friends for endless cups of coffee, sting, heart-warming talk on how things are and how we think they will go in the future, least how we think they ought to go.

ɔrum. The best thinking and the best experience e field of Christian social work and charities is ht together in the programs of regional and na- meetings. Through these forums we help each keep abreast of progress in many fields which trengthen the Church's social mission outreach.

ɔnscience. The Lutheran Welfare Conference is a of informal but pervasive social conscience for erans in the fields of health and welfare. It is ning a more and more important function of the



Cordelia Cox, Director
Lutheran Refugee Service



Harold J. Belgum, President
Lutheran Welfare Conference in America

Conference: drawing the attention of the Church at large to its responsibility for and relationship to the *total* health and welfare pattern within which its *total* membership must find answers to individuals and family problems in times of crisis.

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You are invited to become a member. You can do so by sending $4.00 to Dr. Henry J. Whiting, Executive Secretary, Lutheran Welfare Conference in America at 50 Madison Avenue, New York 10, New York.

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If we have compassion, let us show it now!

As we mark the time schedule, it is way past eleventh hour in the program which we are pursuing under the Refugee Relief Act of 1953 which terminates December 31, 1956.

Under the Act, the Lutheran church bodies of the National Lutheran Council and the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod are working jointly under the Lutheran Refugee Service, directed by Dr. Cordelia Cox, with headquarters at 235 Fourth Avenue, New York 3, N. Y.

Of the total number which can emigrate under the Act, we hope to reach 16,000 Lutherans.

Congregations and individuals are to be commended for housing and job assurances, but more are needed. Regional and state committees and many Lutheran Welfare agencies have labored in an untiring way to implement the program on the local level. At this hour let no one be weary in well doing!

LUTHERAN REFUGEE SERVICE COMMISSION
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Twenty-Seventh

NATIONAL CHARITIES CONFERENCE

of

The Evangelical Lutheran Church

Minneapolis, Minnesota

February 19, 20, 21, 1956

Theme: Retooling for the Great Tomorrow

Sunday, February 19

9:30 and 11:00 A.M. Worship Services
..... Central Lutheran Church
Sermon ..... The Rev. Reuben Gornitzka, Pastor
Central Lutheran Church, Minneapolis

3:30 P.M. Afternoon Session .... East Room, Curtis Hotel
Introductions, New Pages in Charities Album, Blue Prints on the Planning Boards—Dr. M. A. Dahlen, The Rev. John Mason, and Dr. C. L. Nasby
Film: "Homespun"

7:30 P.M. Evening Session .... East Room, Curtis Hotel
Official Welcome
.....The Rev. Oliver Bergeland, Conference President
Address: Compassion in the Changing Community
..... Dr. F. A. Schiotz, President, ELC
Choral Selections: The Fairview Hospital Nurses Chorus
Mrs. Ray Anderson, Director
The E. J. Homme Memorial Lecture.. Dr. A. E. Hanson
President, Northern Minnesota District, ELC

Monday, February 20

East Room, Curtis Hotel

8:00-9:00 A.M. Registration

9:00 The Opening Prayer
Comprehension of the Changing Community
..... The Rev. F. O. M. Westby
Associate Professor in Sociology, Augustana College
Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

RETOOLING FOR A CHANGING CHILD CARE PROGRAM

1. Day Care .....Mrs. Elmer Weltzin, St. Paul, Minn.
Mrs. Weltzin operates a Day Care Center in St. Anthony Park Community, St. Paul.
2. Institutional Care .....The Rev. Douglas Jacobson
Superintendent, Beloit Children's Home, Ames, Iowa
3. Foster Home Care ..... The Rev. Oliver Bergeland
Executive Director
Lutheran Welfare Society of South Dakota

11:30 Devotional Period and Chaplain's Summary
..... The Rev. Selmer Heen
East Side Lutheran, Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

12:00-2:00 P.M. Noon Recess

2:00 P.M. The Opening Prayer
RETOOLING TO SERVE
The Deprived and Minority Groups
..... The Rev. Ernest Sihler
Minister to Lutheran Minority Missions of Minneapolis
The Handicapped ..... Dr. Paul A. Qu
Resident in Psychiatry, Bellevue Hospital, New Yor
The Alcoholic.....The Rev. Fredric N
Director of Chaplaincy S
Lutheran Welfare Society, Mi
The Mentally Ill ..... The Rev. Martin Try
Chaplain, State Mental Hospital, Yankton, S

4:15-4:45 P.M. Devotional Period and Chaplain's Summary

6:30 P.M. Conference Banquet .. East Room, Curtis
Invocation ..... Conference Cha
Toastmaster ..... Dr. C. L. N
Speaker ..... The Rev. A. L. Halv
Pastor, University Lutheran Church of Hope, Minn
Selections ..... Luther Seminary Q

Tuesday, February 21

East Room, Curtis Hotel

9:00 A.M. The Opening Prayer
CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSIBILITY AND ATTITUDE TOWARD
The Refugee ..... Dr. Edmund S
Associate Pro
Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul,
The Unmarried Parent ..... The Rev. David
Pastor, Trinity Lutheran Church, Vermillion, S.
The Aged ..... The Rev. John M
Assistant Executive Secretary, Board of Ch
Recruitment and Training of Workers
..... The Rev. Paul
Executive Director, Lutheran Welfare Society of

11:15 A.M. Devotional Period and Chaplain's Summa

12:00-2:00 P.M. Group Interest Luncheons
Child Welfare Section ..... Moroccan R
Service to Aged Section ..... Evergreen R
Chaplains ..... Lanai R
The price of the luncheon will be $1.00. Tickets be on sale at registration desk until 9 A.M. Tuesday

2:00 P.M. Business Meeting ..... East R

2:30 P.M. The Lutheran Agency and Its Neighbors
..... Mr. Harold Bel
Director, Social Work Se
Lutheran Welfare Society of Minn
The Volunteer in Our Midst
..... Mrs. Fernanda Urberg Ma
Minneapolis, Minn
Installation of Officers ..... Dr. M. A. Da
Executive Secretary, Board of Charities,

WELCOME

A cordial invitation to this conference is extended to pastors, church members, to staff and board members of agencies and institutions, to faculties and students, and to social workers of community agencies. The price of the banquet ticket is $1.50. Tickets will be on sale at the Registration desk until noon, Monday, the 20th.

e Ministry to Children

THE Evangelical Lutheran Church has pioneered in the field of child care. The first program was begun by Pastor E. J. Homme at Wittenberg, Wisconsin, in 1881. As the records of the Church are studied, we find that long before the present philosophies of social casework service to children in trouble were formulated, board members and those in charge of the children's program in the Church were talking about the need for foster home placement of children rather than the large institutional program. We find further that many of the Lutheran Welfare Societies now in the field came into being through the action of the Board of Charities of The Evangelical Lutheran Church.

As the Church has moved forward steadily in seeking to serve children in need of help, our understanding of their true needs has broadened. As a result of increased knowledge of the problems and needs of troubled children, the program in our children's homes has changed radically in the past decade. The great increase in the number of emotionally disturbed children, the products of broken homes and unfortunate environments, has called for a dedication to a service of love on the part of our workers that is deeper than those who are not in the service can understand. As a Church we owe these consecrated workers a sincere vote of confidence and a greatly stepped up program of support.

God is blessing the work of our Church as we seek to mend broken lives, rebuild broken families, and re-establish precious souls in His Kingdom and in society.

"No Girls Aloud!" is the sign on the boys' shack built behind their cottage at the Beloit Children's Home, Ames, Iowa.

The Nellie Svee Memorial Children's Home, Fargo, N. Dak. Mr. Norman Lunde is the director.

This institution provides short-term care and treatment for 34 dependent and neglected boys and girls from five through eighteen years of age. Many of these youngsters are emotionally disturbed and present a variety of behavior problems which make it difficult for them to adjust to a family setting. The goal of this home is to prepare these youngsters for return to their own homes whenever possible, or for placement in foster homes. To attain this goal the Home utilizes the group situation, casework services of the Lutheran Welfare Society, and the services of the Wisconsin Diagnostic Center and the Dane County Child Guidance Center.

The Norwegian Lutheran Children's Home, Chicago, Ill. Mrs. Louis Larsen is the acting director.

The Svee Memorial Lutheran Children's Home service available to children in the State of North kota. Boys and girls between the ages of eight ar teen are given care. Many of the children are unl children who have had unpleasant experiences, and need help before placement in a foster home. The I is a temporary service. No child lives with us for than two years. An effort is made to give help to child through the experience of group living in a ant atmosphere, through casework service from Lutheran Welfare Society, and through the utiliz of community psychiatric resources.

Pictured here is the main building of the Martin Luther Children's Home, Stoughton, Wis. Mr. H. Roderick Daniels is the director.

The Norwegian Lutheran Children's Home has in operation for 59 years. It is located on beau spacious grounds of 28 acres at 6000 N. Canfield Av Chicago, Illinois.

This home cares for dependent children of all Lu an groups. The capacity is 110 boys and girls, ran in ages from six to seventeen years, or through school. They all attend the Chicago Public Schoo

These children are received through court placem social agencies, and by private arrangement. This serves the Chicago area primarily. We employ a of 25, including cottage parents, case workers, cle nursing, domestic, and maintenance help, and a re tional director. A paid physician visits weekly an on call. We are also served by a dentist, having own dental office.

Funds for operating this home come to us thr friends, clubs, bequests, donations-in-kind, and se clubs. The work of charity is always in need of sup

Joe Haanstad

Homme Home for Boys, Wittenberg, Wisconsin. Mr. Joe Haanstad, is the director.

ht boys and girls are making their home at the mme Children's Cottage in Eau Claire. The urban ing at Eau Claire affords an excellent location for cottage. The Home is on the outskirts of the city the immediate neighborhood is residential.

he cottage was designed for a typical family set-. The staff members live right with the children can devote full time to their spiritual, physical, ial, and mental development. It is the purpose of mme Children's Home to rehabilitate the lives of ngsters they are asked to care for so that in the ure they might take their rightful place in society.

Lake Park-Wild Rice, Fergus Falls, Minn. Mr. Willard Rasmussen is the director.

Homme Children's Home is equipped to care for 31 dependent, neglected, delinquent, and emotionally disturbed children. There are two cottages. At the present time a capacity of 21 boys, ranging in age from 11 to 17, are living at the Homme Home for boys in Wittenberg. A rural setting of 450 acres of fertile farm land, woods, a trout stream, and a lake, makes this an ideal home for boys. The farm program, print shop, woodworking shop, and gymnasium all provide wholesome outlets for the boys so that they will develop satisfactory work habits as well as the correct use of leisure time. The primary purpose of Homme is to teach the Christian way of life.

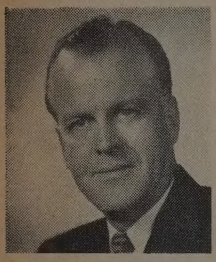
Homme Children's Cottage, Eau Claire, Wis.

Mr. and Mrs. Froggat, house parents

Our boys' Home located at Fergus Falls, Minnesota, is five years old. We serve the entire State of Minnesota, having room for fifteen boys between the ages of thirteen and seventeen years of age.

We *offer* a Christian home atmosphere, *stimulate* constructive interests and profitable experiences, *spell out* Christian life values in action, *believe* the acceptance of responsibility brings tangible as well as spiritual rewards.

We hope our Home and its group living experience will sow seeds of fine Christian relationships in our boys which will cause them to mature into God-fearing, sound adults of tomorrow.



Parkland Lutheran Children's Home, Everett, Wash. Mr. Don Moe is the director.

Parkland Lutheran Children's Home is developin program of meeting a special need in the care of c dren in the State of Washington. We have become intregal part of a total children's service, joining ha with other agencies in helping each child adjust life's situations. With a capacity for 40 children, serve boys and girls, ages six through twelve. All c dren attend the city schools in cooperation with school guidance program. We implement the sch program with our own remedial teacher.

Our children's program is being set up under direction of a supervisor of children's services, a c worker, and a psychiatrist. This casework treatm orientation, the therapy of craft activities, sports a work, the devotion and understanding of the hou parents, who are the most important persons in life of each child while at the Home, constitute program. The spiritual, physical, and emotional asp of each child's life is given expression during their te porary stay at the Home.

Begun as an "orphanage," Bethesda today no longer attempts to care for all children needing homes. Instead it is giving special short term care to boys and girls who need group rather than family care. It is almost the only resource in the state for children over 12 years old, particularly if they show emotional maladjustments. The efforts of the staff and the local church and school are supplemented by regular social work guidance services from the Lutheran Welfare Society of South Dakota. Psychiatric services, secured from the Minnehaha County Mental Health Center, further efforts toward building healthy personalities of children under care.

Bethesda Lutheran Children's Home, Beresford, S. Dak. Mr. Ardell Banker is the director.

The Beloit Lutheran Children's Home, Ames, Iowa. The Rev. Douglas Jacobson is the director.

Since October, 1949, the Beloit Lutheran Children Home has cared for 90 disturbed adolescent and pr adolescent boys and girls. We carry on the program intensive care and have more than doubled our popul tion in the last six years. It is planned soon to increa our trained staff, so that we can offer more consultati help to pastors and parents. While other Lutheran age cies are placing infants and orphans, Beloit is calle upon to help resolve deep seated personality conflic which interfere with family living. It is our goal t help youth with difficult problems to meet life as mo mature Christian personalities.

inistry of Lutheran Welfare

WHEREVER there are unmet human needs, there the ministry of mercy of the Church of Jesus Christ has obligations. We are to feed the hungry and give drink to the thirsty, we are to welcome the stranger and clothe the naked, we are to visit the sick, the imprisoned, the lonely souls of this world, all in the name of Jesus.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church has been busy at this Kingdom work from the beginning. Her people have worked on the local level, ministering to those in need and trouble. Homes have been opened to children, food and clothing have been distributed to poor and needy both at home and abroad. Pastors, deacons, and others have called on the sick, the imprisoned, the lonely ones who long for love and concern from fellow humans, particularly those "of the household of faith." People in many kinds of trouble have been counselled and have been helped to bear the burden of sorrow, sometimes of shame and guilt. Strangers have been welcomed, love has been shed abroad, all in the Name of Jesus!

To do an ever better work in this ministry of mercy, the Church has strong working arms in the sixteen Lutheran Welfare Agencies. These Societies are organized on a state or regional level in order to comply with state and local licensing regulations for child placement. They are intersynodical and seek to serve the various synods that delegate to them specific responsibilities. The Evangelical Lutheran Church has asked the Lutheran Welfare Agencies which it subsidizes to give case-work service to children, together with family service, to investigate foster homes, to care for unmarried mothers that seek help, to provide adoptive services, to co-ordinate chaplaincy services in general and state hospitals, prisons, and other institutions, and in several states to have supervision over the refugee programs.

The congregations of The Evangelical Lutheran Church and of the other co-operating synods support with their gifts the work of the Lutheran Welfare Society which serves their local area. These working arms of the ministry of mercy deserve the whole-hearted support of all our people.

The Lutheran Welfare Service of Northern California

Rev. A. E. Syverud
cutive Secretary

The Lutheran Welfare Service of Northern California is located at 3171 22nd Street, San Francisco. It was organized in 1945, and serves an area of 25 counties in Northern California with 130 National Lutheran Council congregations. In 1955, 488 men, women, and children were helped. Services included counselling on family and individual problems, resettlement of refugees, and direction of chaplaincy work in institutions. Since the refugee program was set up in 1948, 3600 people have been resettled. This program is increasing in tempo and it has been necessary to hire extra help to handle the assurances. The Welfare Society has called a full-time director of chaplaincy services. He will serve in hospitals and institutions in Northern California and co-ordinate chaplaincy services to institutions and hospitals.

Mr. R. A. Gustafson
Executive Director

Lutheran Home Finding Society of Illinois

The Lutheran Home Finding Society of Illinois is a foster home agency suppo by the Illinois churches of the American Lutheran Church, The Evangelical Luth Church, and the United Lutheran Church in America. It is the oldest Lutheran f home agency in the state and cares for approximately one-third of all children se by the National Lutheran Council agencies in Illinois.

The agency stands as a tribute to a small group of consecrated pastors and lay of Norwegian ancestry who, a half-century ago, saw the need for giving dependent dren the love and security of a normal home setting. Its main function is still tha caring for children in Christian foster homes, but it also serves the unwed mother places children for adoption. The agency is located at 4840 Byron Street, Chicago.

The Rev. Edgar F. Witte
Executive Director

Lutheran Charities of Chicago

Lutheran Charities, organized in 1936 and incorporated in 1939, is a federation of twenty-seven Lutheran health and welfare agencies in the state of Illinois. Suppo by synods, congregations, individuals, the Community Fund of Chicago, and var foundations and trusts, it is an agency of the agencies. Its four main areas of se are community representation, co-ordination of services, social planning, and an formation and referral service. Last year 1,117 families received help through the So Service Department. The goal of Lutheran Charities is to help the Lutheran health welfare agencies in this area provide better service to more people. The offices o agency are at 343 Dearborn Street, Chicago.

The Rev. Paul A. Boe
Executive Director

Lutheran Welfare Society of Iowa

The Lutheran Welfare Society of Iowa, 2302 University Ave., Des Moines, is a ch placing agency of the Churches of the National Lutheran Council in Iowa. Organi in 1938, and working through five branch offices, it serves children without homes, married mothers, and couples desiring to adopt. In addition to its child care progr it carries on chaplaincy services to people in institutions and refugee service. A to of 801 children, unmarried mothers, and adopting couples were served last year. T agency hopes this year to increase its casework staff and to expand its chaplaincy servi It believes that well trained and efficient personnel can best serve people in need a represent to them the love which Christ has given to all.

The Rev. Luthard Gjerde
Executive Secretary

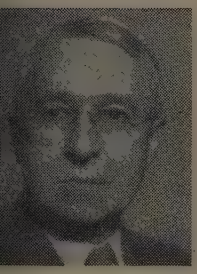
Lutheran Welfare Society of Minnesota

Entering upon its second half-century of Christian service, the Lutheran Welfare Soci of Minnesota is laying foundations for more and better service to people in trouble. 50th Anniversary Building Fund Campaign with a goal of $470,000.00 represe a "tooling up" and bold planning phase designed to meet increasing human need in t years ahead. Its services have increased 45% in the past two years. A new outreach people afflicted with alcoholism demonstrates the entering of one of the many "op doors" which challenge the church's vision and stewardship in this era of "reachi through helping." With a staff of 82 full time workers, specializing in the fields of ch welfare and chaplaincy, the agency serves all synodical groups participating in t National Lutheran Council, with the exception of Augustana. It is located at 2110 Fi Ave. So., Minneapolis.

he Rev. Rolf Normann
Executive Secretary

Lutheran Welfare Association of Montana

The Lutheran Welfare Association of Montana, 1000 Kohrs Block, Helena, was organized in 1949 and incorporated in 1951. It is an intersynodical organization with a membership of congregations from seven of the National Lutheran Council Synods, while the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod uses its child welfare and resettlement programs. In the last year the resettlement service has provided 38 assurances. The child welfare program is two years old and has placed 15 children for adoption. This year it gave casework services to 45 children and approved 47 of the adoptive homes studied. The chaplaincy program provides clinically trained counseling service on a weekly basis for about 70 people in the state mental hospital and the girls vocational school, besides offering some counseling in the office on personal and family problems. The association hopes to expand its services by adding a full time clinically trained chaplain and another caseworker to its staff.



Dr. Ambrose Hering
Executive Secretary

Lutheran Welfare Council of New York

The Department for Child Welfare has an important place among the six functional departments of the Lutheran Welfare Council. It is most closely related to the Family Service Department, with which it conducts joint meetings to co-ordinate and plan services throughout the metropolitan area of New York City. The address of the Council is 105 East 22 St., New York City.

The joint committee on camping, with year-round concern for program, staff, and inter-camp and parish co-operation, this year reported 292 children cared for at Camp Norge, 245 at Camp Wilbur Herrlich, and 101 at other Lutheran camps.

In the interracial service for children and youths, one of our Council agencies is conducting community services in five churches. The recent opening of "Centro Lutherano" for Puerto Ricans in Brooklyn by four of our ELC churches represents a hopeful development.

Among the numerous situations which trouble us is the continued detention of homeless and neglected children (768 awaiting placement and 573 in hospitals and crowded city shelters) because no better care is available. Many of them are Negro children. Protestant work in our children's courts has not been too satisfactory, and results in the treatment of narcotic addiction among adolescents are not encouraging.

Rev. Joseph A. Belgum
Executive Director

Norwegian Lutheran Community Service

The Norwegian Lutheran Community Service, 366 45th Street, Brooklyn, N. Y., arranges for social services required by local churches and operates Camp Norge, New City, N. Y. Pre-confirmation children are served at Camp Norge during three "Christian Living" periods of two weeks each. Three High School Bible Conferences of one week each are supervised by circuit pastors. The circuit W.M.F. Bible Camp, Councilmen's Retreat, and "Golden Age" Conference (in its 16th year) serve adults. During spring and fall other groups use the camp for retreats, planning conferences, Scout camp-outs and picnics.

The Rector of the Norwegian Lutheran Hospital, Rev. Joseph A. Belgum, serves as executive director of the Norwegian Lutheran Community Service. Mr. Cal Gertsen is resident camp director.

ss Clarisse Clementson
Executive Director

Lutheran Welfare Society of North Dakota

Established in 1936, The Lutheran Welfare Society of North Dakota is the largest agency of its kind in the state. With approximately 130,000 Lutherans to serve, the Society divides its services into several categories.

Child welfare, to give care and assistance to neglected and dependent Lutheran children, is the primary mission of the agency. Casework service to unmarried mothers is another of the special services. Equally important is the adoption program. A fourth service is the chaplaincy program carried on in four of the state's institutions.

In its nineteen years of existence, the Society has gradually expanded in size and in services. Because of better understanding on the part of the Lutheran public, all indications point to increasing growth in all services in the coming years.

The Rev. E. E. Ramsey
Acting Executive Secretary

Lutheran Welfare Association of Oregon

This organization is a service agency which is supported through contributions
the National Lutheran Council churches in Oregon, and which is state-wide in s

Perhaps the major project of the association at the present time is the chapl
program. In addition to his regular calls at the Veterans Hospital and Fair
(Psychiatric) Hospital, owned and operated by the Lutherans of the Portland
our chaplain is organizing clergy and laity in the visitation of the sick and shut-in
the various hospitals, sanatoria, nursing and rest homes.

The agency has taken a very active part in the resettlement program for Euro
refugees. There is also the usual program of private counselling, and the associa
acts as a sub-agency in directing the distribution of food and clothing to the needy.
agency is located at 408 S. W. Second Ave., Portland.

The Rev. Oliver Bergeland
Executive Secretary

Lutheran Welfare Society of South Dakota

The Lutheran Welfare Society of South Dakota, 327 South Duluth Avenue, S
Falls, South Dakota, was organized in 1952. It is licensed as a child placing and adop
agency, offering a state-wide program to children in need—in their own homes
Bethesda Children's Home, in foster and adoptive homes.

Complete maternity home services, medical and hospital care for unmarried mot
is provided. 134 unmarried mothers have been cared for since the time of organizat
Service is given to individuals in need, irrespective of color, creed, or financial st
Financial support is received from The Evangelical Lutheran Church and Amer
Lutheran Church synodical treasuries, South Dakota Lutheran congregations, Sioux F
Community Chest, and public funds available for services to children.

Ben F. Siebel
Executive Director

Lutheran Welfare Society of Texas

The Lutheran Welfare Society of Texas, 332 West Craig Place, was organized in 1
to serve orphaned children and aged persons at Trinity Homes in Round Rock. I
sponsored by congregations of the ELC, the ULCA, the ALC, and Augustana.

The Society gives care to 20 aged guests and to children in a receiving home; pl
children in adoptive, work, and boarding homes; provides a referral service, coun
with broken families; helps the unmarried mother with her problems and plans for
future; helps in processing refugees; and has initiated a chaplaincy service for hospi
and other institutions. Intake covers the entire state, while placement of children
adoptive homes is limited to 67 central Texas counties. Our case-load averages betw
50 and 60 children per month, with adoptive placements averaging from 20 to 30
year. The agency primarily serves children in the teen-age bracket.

V. E. Thoren
Executive Director

Lutheran Welfare Society of Tacoma, Washington

The Lutheran Welfare Society of Tacoma, Washington at 204 South 15th St., w
organized as a City Mission in August, 1922. In 1930 it re-organized to become a
theran Welfare Society.

The Society seeks to give casework services to individuals and families, and tempor
boarding home care for children and young people. In the past year 48 children fr
31 families received help. The Society also provides services to the aged through co
selling in their own homes and in nursing homes. Chaplaincy service is provided
institutions of the county and to a retirement home and hospital for chronic disea
and rehabilitation. Services are also provided for the resettlement of refugees. Mr. F
Webber is Director of Social Service.

R. Spannaus
xecutive Secretary

Associated Lutheran Welfare in Washington

Associated Lutheran Welfare in Washington has been serving all Lutherans in the state since 1944. Its primary services are child placement, including adoptions, care of unmarried mothers, and family counselling. It also co-ordinates chaplaincy programs in the state, acts as consultant to pastors in counselling situations, gives such central Lutheran services as the promotion of Lutheran World Relief clothing ingatherings, has for many years given casework assistance to Parkland Children's Home, and represents the Lutheran Church in many public efforts including social legislation. The agency is located at 307 Medical Arts Building, Seattle.

v. Benjamin A. Gjenvick
Executive Director

Lutheran Welfare Society of Wisconsin

The Lutheran Welfare Society of Wisconsin, 3126 W. Highland Ave., Milwaukee, was incorporated on December 12, 1936 and began its work on May 1, 1937.

The Society is a child care and placement agency, ministering to dependent and neglected Lutheran children. It served 507 children and 215 unwed mothers last year. Casework services are provided for the three ELC children's homes in Wisconsin. It also has a chaplaincy division, which through its 77 salaried and volunteer chaplains visited over 57,663 individuals in 107 institutions throughout the State. This past year the stepped up program to bring refugees to Wisconsin was given to the Society.

The agency serves the National Lutheran Council Churches and looks to its membership in Wisconsin for about 50% of its annual support.

House of Mercy, Sioux Falls

House of Mercy, 407 North Spring Avenue, Sioux
South Dakota, is an extension of another service
by the Lutheran Welfare Society of South Dakota.
is Home, care is given to girls who need shelter and
tion in their "hour of tragedy." Here they are sur-
led by sympathetic staff who understand their need
who are ready to give them the confidence they
to face their God and their world. Many of them
t know what normal home life is nor have they had
ct with the Church until they come here.

Lutheran Girls Home, Minneapolis

Lutheran Girls Home, Minneapolis

The Lutheran Girls Home in Minneapolis, a home fo wed mothers, is owned and operated by the Lutheran fare Society of Minnesota. The Home, which was bu 1923, was operated by the Norwegian Lutheran C until 1945, when it was turned over to Lutheran Wel

Mrs. Ernestine Dullum, recently appointed Supe of Services to Unwed Mothers at Lutheran Welfa responsible for the over-all program of work with married mothers. The staff at the Girls Home inc Mrs. Elizabeth Nordberg, Resident Head, an assista part time tutor, and a part time group worker. A worker works with each girl individually to help make the best plans for herself and her baby. A cha conducts regular services at the Home and is ava for pastoral counseling.

House of Mercy, Fargo

The North Dakota House of Mercy, Fargo, located at 1505 Fifth Avenue South, is an arm of the Church giving services to girls, regardless of creed or race, who come perplexed with the problems of unwed motherhood, with the hope that they may be helped not only through this crisis, but that through spiritual, physical, and mental help, they may become useful, well-adjusted members of Society and the Church.

This Home was organized in 1919. Its Board of Directors select from their membership an executive board of seven which meets each month at the Home. Attorney O. J. Strandness, Fargo, is chairman. Miss Minnie J. Sigdestad is superintendent of the home. The staff consists of a registered nurse, secretary, recreational director, housekeeper and cook. Casework services are given by the child placing agency of the girl's choice.

House of Mercy, Fargo, N. Dak.

Ackerson House, Seattle

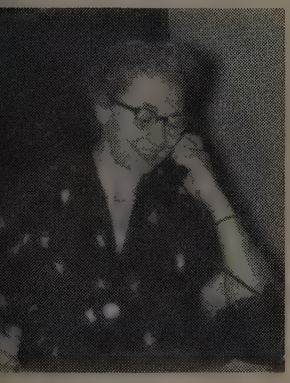
Ackerson House, Seattle, Wash.

Ackerson House on Mercer Island, near Seattle, Wash ton, is operated by Associated Lutheran Welfare. institution was opened under its present auspices in when the private foundation which controls the prop made it available to the Lutheran agency. Its no capacity is fifteen mothers, and they are served by a h staff of four under the leadership of Mrs. Nettie Sorki and by a full-time caseworker. Although any unmar mother is given care, preference is given Lutheran from the State of Washington. Services emphasize teamwork approach of the social worker, the house s the chaplain, and the physicians.

ecial Services Children

child-care program of The Evangelical Lutheran h there are a number of facilities that meet spe- eeds in the lives of children who are in trouble or nust have special care.

rally thousands of children in Chicago have been d through the ministry of the Lutheran Day ry. Increasing numbers of children are being precious weeks at summer camps under the care of trained workers. The hearts of individuals opened to make possible new facilities in the past ears. Knutson Camp in northern Minnesota and rness Camp in Wisconsin have been provided to hurch by the generosity of former congressman d Knutson of Wadena, Minnesota, and Mr. C. M. of Couderay, Wisconsin.



Miss Gudrun Miller
Superintendent

The Lutheran Day Nursery pictured below was started in 1911 by Deaconesses from the Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital and has served as a day care center. Open 11 hours daily, Monday through Friday, it serves 77 children, ages 2 through 8. During these 44 years it has given love and security to thousands of children whose mothers must work and others who have needed nursery care due to adverse conditions in the home. It has led little children to Christ, homes have been re-established, and many families have been brought within the folds of the Christian Church as a result of its services.

Lutheran Day Nursery

Camp Knutson

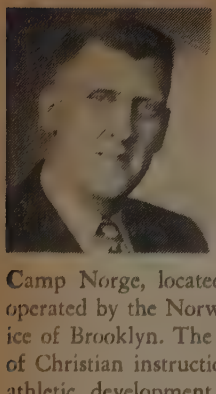
Reuben Jessup
1955 Camp Director

The Jeannette Holm Knutson Camp shown above was given to The Evangelical Lutheran Church by the late Congressman Harold Knutson. It was Knutson's desire that the camp be developed by the Department of Charities to care for children in trouble. The site is a beautiful point of land comprising about forty acres on Whitefish lake, about thirty-five miles north of Brainerd, Minnesota.

Knutson—this is a name that will bring vivid ries to many people, but to the three hundred children spent a camping period there this past summer, it a very special meaning.

ldren from five of our ELC Children's Homes and ymouth Christian Youth Center of Minneapolis spent ng periods under the guidance of a full-time camp lus the staff that came with each group.

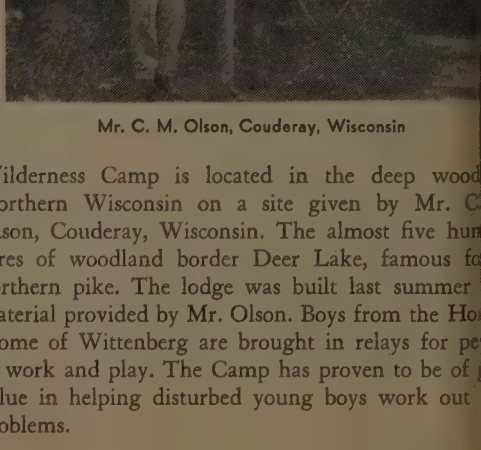
Camp Norge



Cal Gertsen
Resident Camp Director

Camp Norge, located near New City, New York, is operated by the Norwegian Lutheran Community Service of Brooklyn. The camp provides a healthy blending of Christian instruction, arts and crafts, swimming and athletic development, and nature appreciation at the camp's 54 acres of woods and streams. The 150 campers are supervised by Christian counselors from church colleges. Children and youth use the camp during July and August, adults are welcome other months. $10,000 is needed annually for scholarships and camp improvement.

Wilderness Camp



Mr. C. M. Olson, Couderay, Wisconsin

Wilderness Camp is located in the deep wood Northern Wisconsin on a site given by Mr. C Olson, Couderay, Wisconsin. The almost five hun acres of woodland border Deer Lake, famous fo northern pike. The lodge was built last summer material provided by Mr. Olson. Boys from the Ho Home of Wittenberg are brought in relays for pe of work and play. The Camp has proven to be of value in helping disturbed young boys work out problems.

Ray Runkel
Director

Plymouth Christian Youth Center

The Plymouth Christian Youth Center is a neigh hood settlement house organized and operated by students of the Luther Theological Seminary for purpose of extending the Kingdom of God an children of a blighted area, regardless of status, creed, or cultural background. It is located at 322 mouth Avenue North, Minneapolis, in a semi-indus area where there is much poverty and juvenile d quency.

Its ministry reaches the children through an inte program of wholesome recreation, of practical kn edge, and of spiritual studies, all of which tend to them to a Christ-centered life. The parents are rea through the children and home visitations.

e Ministry to the Deaf and the Blind

nber them that are in bonds, as bound with them; hem which suffer adversity." The compassion Jesus displayed toward the deaf and blind of ne moves us all and must be our concern. The elical Lutheran Church through the Ephphatha at Faribault, Minnesota, has for many years

Ephphatha Church, Faribault

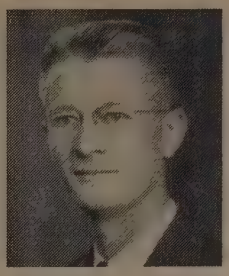
Christian layman, Nicholas Hoovel, deeded his to building this church for the deaf and blind. dream came true for Pastor Bjorlie in 1940.

to those who suffer the loss of sight or hearing e and concern of Christ. In these later years our m has expanded beyond the work at Faribault establishment of a congregation among the deaf Minneapolis-St. Paul area. Preaching points have et up in a number of areas throughout Minne- here deaf groups gather to rejoice in the Word d as it is brought to them through consecrated ained pastors. It is the desire of the Department rities that the members of the Church at large become better acquainted with this specialized y and support it with prayers and gifts.

phphatha Church Mission in Faribault, Minne- a CHURCH which serves only the deaf and nd. It is not a school nor a home (the State s residential schools in Faribault for the deaf e blind children of Minnesota).

church has organizations and activities like hurches, but uses methods and materials especial- pared to meet the spiritual needs of two very ht groups—the deaf and the blind.

899 Prof. Olav Lee and Rev. G. Bakken saw the n Faribault. Rev. C. M. Larsen was the first pas- 900). He was followed by B. T. Rothnem (1913), Bjorlie (1919), S. N. Dale (1948) and I. M. t (1953—).

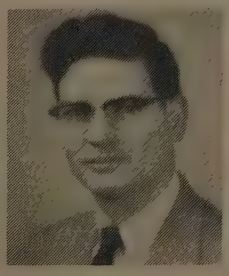


The Rev. I. M. Thvedt

The Rev. Stewart N. Dale, while serving as pastor of the Ephphatha Mission at Faribault realized the need for follow-up work among the deaf in Minneapolis. In 1951 he conducted the first worship service with a small group of people. The number attending the services grew rapidly and there was soon an evident need for organizing a congregation. In 1953 Pastor Dale left the Ephphatha Mission to assume a full-time position as pastor for a congregation to be organized among the deaf people of the Twin Cities area.

This congregation is now organized as a part of the Southern Minnesota District of the ELC. It has adopted the name Bethany Church for the Deaf. Plans are laid for the erection of a house of worship in Minneapolis. A lot has been purchased and a campaign for funds is being conducted among the members of the congregation, their friends, and interested people in the Church at large. It is hoped that the new church may be constructed in 1956.

Pastor Dale resigned effective Nov. 15, 1955.



The Rev. Walter Olson

The Rev. Walter Olson, a graduate of Augsburg College and Luther Seminary, has accepted a call to Bethany Lutheran Church for the Deaf. During the past year he received training for this work under a scholarship from the Board of Charities. He is married to the former Helen Borge of Hoople, N. Dak.

The Hospitals of the Church

Lutheran Deaconess—Chicago

The Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital, Chicago, was organized in 1897 by the Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Society. During these fifty-eight years the hospital has expanded to a fully accredited teaching institution. It has 186 beds.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church at its biennial conventions elects the members of the Board of Trustees which controls and oversees the activities of the hospital. Mr. Harold W. Burtness has served as president of the board for the past twenty years.

An accredited School of Nursing has graduated scores of nurses who are ministering to the sick throughout the nation. A number of scholarships are available to worthy students desiring to enter nurses training.

Fairview—Minneapolis

The tradition of Fairview Hospital has been to develop a Christian organization which renders the highest quality medical care to the community.

This past year the Minnesota State Department of Health granted $423,675 to Fairview Hospital to assist in the last phase of our present $3,000,000 expansion program. Fairview Hospital will be one of the largest hospitals in the area, with all patient facilities—rehabilitation, psychiatric, and chronic facilities so vitally needed in this community.

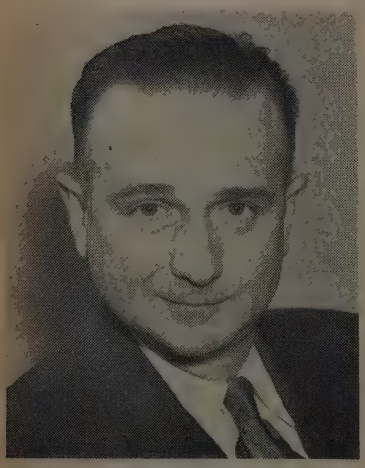
With the increasing tempo of medical care and techniques, Fairview hopes to remain a progressive hospital to bring these benefits to our patients.

Lutheran Deaconess—Brooklyn

The Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess' Home and
pital, Fourth Avenue and Forty-sixth Street, Bro
N. Y., operates a 207 bed general community h
as a part of The Master Plan for Hospitals and R
Facilities in Greater New York. One third of its
are designated for city patients (sick-poor); 15
serve 11,000 patients each year who are unable to
a private doctor. A 24-hour emergency service
the injured of the industrial waterfront and ship
and others in need. A post-graduate program of
cal education for interns and residents is conduct
close relation to the University of the State of
York. A three-year School of Nursing for 75 stu
draws from 250 Lutheran churches of five synods
clinically trained chaplain functions in close rel
ship with doctors in caring for patients and dire
religious program for student nurses.

The Deaconesses' Home serves as a meeting
for circuit pastoral conferences and related pla
groups. In the near future the hospital is plann
$3,000,000 modernization and expansion program
a merger with The Lutheran Hospital of Manh
which is supported primarily by ALC and U
members. The rector is responsible for general de
ment, church and community relations; the exe
administrator directs the operation of the Hospital
the chaplain conducts the religious program for pa
students, and staff.

SUPERINTENDENTS



Virgil W. Nelson
Chicago

Carl N. Platou
Minneapolis

Marshall G. Ause
Brooklyn

New front addition to Fairview Hospital, Minneapolis

Norwegian Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital, Brooklyn

Lutheran Deaconess Home and Hospital, Chicago

Ministry to the Aging

It is now seventy-five years since the first work was done in the care for aging people by Pastor E. J. Homme at Wittenberg, Wisconsin. Through these years The Evangelical Lutheran Church has been a pioneer in this work, building and supporting many homes for older people from coast to coast and from Canada to the far south. As the Church has gained experience in this important field of the ministry of mercy, the homes that have been established have developed a program designed to give to their residents not only the best physical and spiritual care, but the latest techniques of living graciously in the sunset years of life.

In our homes today, it is the plan of the Department of Charities that we think in terms of retirement homes complete with nursing facilities. We desire to move away from the old concept that a home for the aged is a cousin to the poor house. They are homes in every sense of the word. In them are large families of older people who have retired from the busy activity of their younger years. Pleasant surroundings, planned diets, work activities for those who like to participate, hobbies, and recreation are the goals we hold for ourselves in our services to every aged resident.

A new development will be the construction of nursing homes that will care specifically for people who need nursing care. In some of these homes the federal government will grant financial aid for building purposes. Two or three new homes of this type may be under construction in 1956.

In the following pages you will learn to know the homes of the Church as we have them now. In addition to those shown, plans are far advanced for the construction of facilities in Kalispell, Montana; Dickinson and Westhope, North Dakota; Webster, South Dakota; and Red Wing, Kenyon, and Alexandria, Minnesota. At La Crosse, Wisconsin a fine home is under construction. Plans are being laid for a home in the Mankato Circuit and in the Mayville and Grafton, North Dakota areas. Other areas are also beginning to discuss the possibilities of building homes to care for the growing population in the upper age brackets. It is the deep concern of the Department of Charities that our congregations seek counsel and advice before moving forward in the development of new projects. The department is ready to give help to any group wishing to work in this field.

BETHESDA
Beresford, S. Dak.

The Rev. Norman O. Nelso
Superintendent

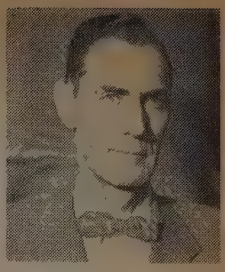
When the Rev. J. A. Quello was a young pastor in B
ford, S. D., there were several older people in his cong
tion who needed someone to care for them. O. J. Ren
was one of them. He suggested building a home for
on the Bethesda Children's Home grounds, and prom
$13,000 toward such a home. The Hauge Synod end
the plan and the home was built and dedicated Oct
1914.

In 1914 an addition was built that now serves as a
firmary. In 1948 the new south wing with 27 rooms
completed, and a sprinkler system was installed in
The home cares for 80 residents.

Aase Haugen Home

AASE HAUGEN AND CALMAR

Decorah, Iowa



The Rev. Virgil Hougen
Superintendent

e time of her death in 1910, Miss Aase Haugen left arm to the United Norwegian Lutheran Church of ica to be used in establishing and maintaining a for aged people under the name "The Aase Haugen e."

ce that time other land has been added until the t property consists of 630 acres and two farmsteads, ll as the building for residents. A modern kitchen ew dining room have just been added to the main ing.

ere are rooms for about 50 residents, most of them rooms. Besides the regular staff, the home has a nt chaplain who conducts services on Sunday and ions each week day in the chapel.

e Calmar annex to the Aase Haugen Home was l to care for the many applicants who needed a . It is located only a few miles from the Aase Haugen e. A spacious residence was remodeled, and an ad- attached. This home was established in 1954, and are 20 residents. The Aase Haugen and Calmar Homes perated under the same board of directors and intendent.

Calmar Annex

BETHANY
Camrose, Alberta

Mrs. Tilda S. Bergh
Superintendent

Bethany Sunset Home has been in existence since the 20's. A comparatively small building at Bawlf, Al- was used until August 1949, at which time the seven- residents were transferred to the new home at Camrose. the present time there are fifty-seven resident guests, six of whom are bed patients and ten semi-invalids. Our residents are provided with room, board and laundry. Tray service and nursing care is given when required. Devotional periods are conducted twice daily by residents or staff. There are visits and weekly services by the chaplain, Pastor A. M. Vinge. Plans are nearing completion for a fifty-bed infirmary to be started early in 1956.

BETHESDA

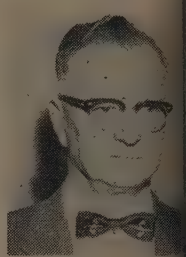
Chicago, Ill.

Russell Johnson
Superintendent

The Bethesda Home for the Aged was founded in 1907 by Miss Hildur Baade an group of young people interested in the welfare of the unfortunate among the a Norwegians in Chicago. From a humble beginning it has grown to the fine institu it is today with a capacity of 145. It recently dedicated a new addition furnished the latest equipment and facilities. There is also a modern infirmary where care treatment (except surgery) can be given. The Home is located in a quiet reside neighborhood with spacious grounds. It has a congenial family atmosphere and the dents engage in a variety of activities.

CLIFTON

Clifton, Texas



Odie C. Pederson
Superintendent

Following the merger of Clifton College with Texas Lutheran College of Seguin, alterations were made in the former Clifton College buildings and the Clifton Lutheran Sunset Home was established there on February 6, 1954, under the auspices of the Board of Charities of the ELC. The first residents were accepted on August 1.

The Home has 31 double rooms and presently has 53 residents. The staff, including the superintendent and matron, is composed of 13 capable men and women, plus other extra help as needed.

Religious services are conducted Wednesday and Sunday evenings by volunteer pastors from the city and nearby churches. The residents keep busy with hand-work, gardening, flowers, games, television, radio, records, and outside entertainment.

The Rev. S. M. Moe
Superintendent

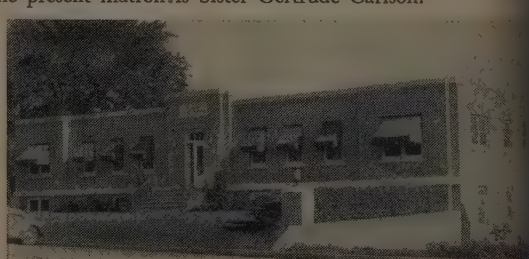
EAU CLAIRE AND MONDOVI

Eau Claire and Mondovi, W

The Eau Claire Lutheran Home for the Aged Corporation was formed in Octo 1948, for the purpose of establishing a home or homes for the aged of this vicinity. majority of the congregations within the Eau Claire Circuit and a few from the Hud Circuit became charter members of the Corporation. Two homes at 101 and 115 Sum Avenue in Eau Claire were purchased and opened as a Home for the Aged in Janu 1949. There are now 36 residents.

To be able to minister to the infirm and bed-ridden aged, the Corporation first lea and in 1954 bought the Clinic Hospital at Mondovi. Most of the congregations in Mondovi Circuit joined the corporation and are giving financial support. 38 infirm a are now given care there. The present matron is Sister Gertrude Carlson.

EAU CLAIRE



MONDOVI

COEUR D'ALENE

Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

A. H. Olson
Superintendent

Couer d'Alene Homes began operations in July, 1921, uildings formerly used by the Augustana Synod as a l. A new unit was added in 1950, and at present 104 le are in residence. An infirmary with complete nurs- ervice is part of the operation. A fine chapel within the building is used for daily devotions, Sunday services, and other meetings. Employees number about 30, and live in their own residences in the area, away from the homes. This is the only Lutheran home of its kind in the Inland Empire, although others are in the planning stage.

EGER

Staten Island, N. Y.

Mrs. Anna Scheie
Head Matron

Eger Lutheran Home for the Aged at New Dorp, Staten Island, N. Y., now accommodates 8 men and 22 women on a beautiful 22-acre hilltop with an ocean view. Guests have come from every area of the circuit during the past 10 years: Staten Island, 6; Brooklyn, 19; New Jersey, 14; Queens, 5; from other areas and with indefinite address, 39. City building requirements and increased waiting lists have forced the board to plan construction of a new $200,000 building during 1956. Half of this amount must be raised throughout the circuit.

EVENTIDE

Moorhead, Minnesota

The Rev. C. B. Runsvold
Superintendent

ntide, a three story home for the aged, located at nth Street and 14th Avenue in south Moorhead, Minne- is owned and operated by the Brotherhood of the rhead Circuit of the ELC. Building of the home started in the fall of 1949, and completed in the ng of 1951. The cornerstone was laid by the Rev. R. A. Harrisville on October 29, 1950, and it was formally dedicated on June 24, 1951, by Doctor J. A. Aasgaard. The Reverend C. B. Runsvold was called as resident manager, and took up his duties when the Home was opened for residents on June 1, 1951.

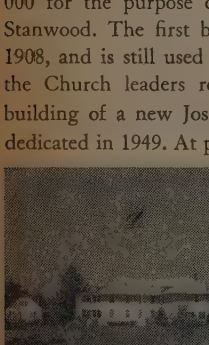
Eventide was organized for the purpose of providing a Christian home for the aged, principally those residing within the Moorhead Circuit. It accommodates 60 residents and eight staff members.

HOMME
Wittenberg, Wis.

Ingvald Larson
Superintendent

Even J. Homme, pastor at Winchester, Wisconsin, had long cherished a dream of establishing a home for the aged and fatherless. In 1880 he made a survey and picked a place for his institutions. The railroad had not come that far yet—only a log cabin indicated there would be a station here. Among his writings we find this: "Here and no further. Here shall my Wittenberg be; here I want to and work, here I want to die." In 1881 Rev. Ho moved to Wittenberg and began to build his first H Thus the mother institution of welfare work among people started.

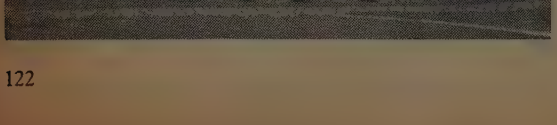
The Homme Home for the Aged will celebrate its year by moving into a new building this year. With vision and faith of our founder, our Church is constru a new retirement home on the site of the original hon a cost of $250,000. The new structure will have a capacity of sixty-six. Each wing will have a solarium the center wing will be devoted to care of the infirm spacious living area with fireplace is planned for the of the residents. At the last board meeting it was dec that this building will be dedicated to God as a mem to Pastor Homme.

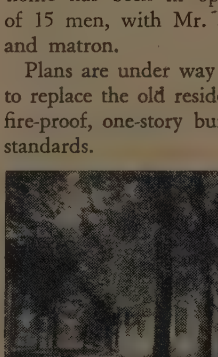


JOSEPHINE
Stanwood, Wash.

The Rev. O. K. Davidson
Superintendent

Josephine Sunset Home was founded by action of the Pacific District, Norwegian Synod, in the spring of 1907. The district accepted a gift from Mr. John Hals of $10,000 for the purpose of building a home for the aged at Stanwood. The first building was dedicated December 28, 1908, and is still used as part of the present home. In 1946 the Church leaders recommended to the Convention the building of a new Josephine Home, and this building was dedicated in 1949. At present, the home has 69 residents.





KNUTE NELSON—GLENWOOD MEMORIAL
Alexandria, Minn.

Mrs. James Hanson
Matron

Senator Knute Nelson left his large home and 30 acre land in Alexandria to the ELC with the specification the property be maintained as a home for the aged. home has been in operation since 1948 with a cap of 15 men, with Mr. and Mrs. James P. Hanson as and matron.

Plans are under way for the construction of a new h to replace the old residence now used. It will be a mod fire-proof, one-story building designed to meet the hig standards.

LUTHERAN MEMORIAL

Twin Valley, Minn.

The Rev. Alfred Gunderson
Superintendent

e church convention in 1946 voted the establishment
e Lutheran Memorial Home for the Aged to serve the
western part of the Northern Minnesota District. Com-
and occupied in April 1950, it has a modern, fire-
building and ministers to sixty-four residents, with
ird floor devoted to the care of the chronically ill. A

Christian atmosphere pervades this beautiful, cozy, home-like shelter. Visitors from far and near call often. It is an answer of the Church to the believer's prayer: "Cast me not off in the time of old age; forsake me not when my strength faileth."

LUTHERAN OLD PEOPLE'S

Madison, Minn.

C. A. Pederson
Superintendent

e Lutheran Old People's Home was established in 1944
e site of the Madison Normal School, utilizing one
buildings.
ew addition was erected in 1953 at a cost of $273,000.
unit includes 28 single rooms and six double infir-
rooms. The older part has 10 single and 29 double
. The home is constantly filled, and there is a wait-

ing list. The present valuation of the institution is $502,000.

There are 40 full-time and part-time employees. C. A. Pederson is superintendent and Pastor Albert Molberg, chaplain.

NORTHWOOD

Northwood, N. Dak.

Albert Hagen
Manager

e Northwood Deaconess Hospital and Home Associa-
vas organized and incorporated February 3, 1902. Hos-
care was urgently needed. A residence was remodeled,
ped, and opened to the public in October, 1902. Six
later a modern hospital was constructed of brick, and
rmer residence was the beginning of the Old People's
. Additional quarters were later added. State regula-

tions and increasing demands for nursing care prompted the construction of a new fireproof addition, which is now ready for occupancy.

These institutions represent an investment of $400,000 and will care for 105 residents in the dormitory section and 40 patients in the hospital and nursing divisions.

PARKSIDE

Lisbon, N. Dak.

Ben Hanson
Manager

Parkside Lutheran Home was opened in 1947 as a residence for aged people. The Rev. J. O. Ronsberg, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church of Lisbon, was largely responsible for the establishment of the home. Parkside can serve up to 12 guests. Mr. Ben Hanson is the manager and the residents are served by a full-time matron with part-time assistants.

The home is supported by the Oakes Circuit of North Dakota District. Plans are in the making for erection of a new and modern home for the aged complete nursing facilities.

The spiritual needs of the residents are cared for by local pastor, assisted by circuit pastors.

Pleasant View Luther Home, Inc., came into being in the summer of 1937 when it took over the property of Pleasant View Luther College. Operation commenced in the fall of the same year. Through the able leadership of the late Rev. T. J. Knutson it weathered the storms of the first difficult years. It is now on a sound financial basis and cares for a capacity number of 75 residents, with a considerable number on the waiting list. Plans are in the making for more room for ambulatory as well as infirm people.

PLEASANT VIEW

Ottawa, Illinois

The Rev. M. A. Hall
Superintendent

RED WING AND KENYON

Red Wing and Kenyon, Minn.

Lars S. Kildahl
Superintendent

RED WING

The Red Wing Home with a capacity of 13 and Kenyon Home with a capacity of 19 were both opened the aged in 1949 with Rev. J. F. Ylvisaker as superintendent. The services rendered by the homes are so needed that The Evangelical Lutheran Church and the board have decided to build additions both at Red Wing and Kenyon. The plan is to build modern one-story buildings which will house at least 20 more residents. Each building will include an infirmary. The Goodhue Circuit congregations are supporting the project.

KENYON

SKAALEN

Stoughton, Wis.

R. S. Ruud
Superintendent

the Synod meeting of 1896, Mr. Gjermund Skaalen
ed 207 acres of land to the Church, and the Skaalen
Home was built on the property. When this build-
urned in 1946, it was decided to rebuild the home in
wn of Stoughton. Through the guidance of the late Arthur Bragstad, the present home was completed in 1950. A resident chaplain, registered nurses, and other workers give loving Christian care to the 63 residents of the home and the 21 residents of the infirmary.

SOLHEIM

le Rock, Calif.

Rev. S. D. Disrud
uperintendent

Solheim Lutheran Home is the only ELC church-owned institution in the California District. The home was organized in 1923, and for many years was operated by a local Board of Directors. It is now owned and operated by the District. A new $300,000 building has been constructed, and another wing costing $90,000 will be erected the first part of 1956. When this addition is completed, there will be a capacity of 100 guests. The home is well located in the heart of the Los Angeles area and is rated as one of the finest homes for the aged on the West Coast.

A unique feature at the home is the congregation that has been organized. Regular services are held and the activities of a congregation are carried on.

The Rev. L. A. Mathre
Superintendent

STORY CITY

Story City, Iowa

Story City Old People's Home dates back to 1914
the original building was erected by the Central Iowa
ran Sanitarium and Home Association. Seven years
he Church agreed to take it over as an old people's
and out of consideration for local sentiments con-
operating the hospital division until 1945. In 1930 and 1948, additions were built which provided a chapel and 25 more rooms. The capacity of the home is now 85.

The people of Story City and the surrounding congregations have always loyally supported the home. A "Sunset Home Aid" composed of ladies from the three local ELC churches meets here the first Friday of each month.

Knut Bergsagel
Superintendent

This new Home was dedicated June 11, 1954. The Rev. K. Bergsagel is superinten and Sister Marie Weiks is matron. The Home has been built to comply with the thinking in the care for the aging. A unique feature consists of a working agree with the University of Saskatchewan, which is located nearby. Through this agree the University School of Medicine will seek to establish a preventive and restor rehabilitation program as a service to the guests of the Sunset Home. There will be a teaching demonstration program for medical students and interns. It is beli that this program, together with the regular Christian care which will be provide the Home, will make the Lutheran Sunset Home of Saskatoon a most outstan facility in the care of the aging.

LUTHERAN SUNSET HOME

Saskatoon, Sask.

VIROQUA

The Rev. O. John Nesheim
Superintendent

BETHEL

Viroqua, Wis.

Because of the need for an old people's home in the V non Circuit, a solicitation for funds was made through the circuit and met with a good response. Contracts for home were awarded in July, 1954, and building operati started immediately. In May, 1955, the home suffered tensive damage from a tornado, but fortunately the ho was completely covered by insurance. Necessary rep were made, and the home was dedicated on November The total cost of the building, lot, furnishings, etc., about $205,000. Heating, kitchen, dining, and other fa ties are adequate to take care of future additions to home. At present there is room for 29 residents.

The Rev. Pernie C. Pederson
Superintendent

BETHEL

Williston, N. Dak.

In 1947, the Williston, Crosby, and McKenzie circuits formed a corporation to r funds, build, and operate a home for the aged. Two years later construction started, in July of 1951 the home was opened to receive its first residents.

The property, representing an investment of well over $400,000, includes nine ac of city property and a superintendent's residence besides the main building with furnishings and equipment. The home provides residence for 78 men and women, whom 34 are in the infirmary. The special emphasis upon the care of the infirm made it possible for the home to receive many who were already bedridden at the t of admission.

An article about Bethel Lutheran Home for the Aged appeared in the January issue of Lutheran Herald.

inistry to Distressed

rs have been opening these last few years for a new specialized service in the Kingdom. The Depart- t of Charities is grateful to God for this. Through e open doors clinically trained chaplains walk into ives of those in prison, the mentally ill, the chronic- ill, and the many who otherwise would lie in our e general hospitals without spiritual guidance or fort.

or many years the Department has called pastors lo hospital visitation work, and these men have e a notable record. Tens of thousands of people e been ministered to through their efforts. Eternity e will reveal the blessings of this ministry.

he newly opened doors to hospitals and institutions, ch at one time were almost closed to us because we ed trained personnel, have revealed an area of service far larger than we are able to handle. This constitutes a real challenge to our pastors and to the Church. The excellent reports on the work of our clinically trained chaplains that come to us through the institutional and hospital supervisors and from families of patients indicate that our men are serving effectively. Our great problem lies in providing more men for these services.

To meet the challenge that is before us, the Department of Charities needs more money for scholarships, grants-in-aid, and subsidies. When a man is called from the parish ministry, he must be trained for a year or more. This means that we must provide not only for his school expenses, but for family living costs as well. As the Church realizes this opportunity, funds will be provided. Our people always respond to needs that are real. Pray that God may enable us to further this ministry so that more men may walk through the open doors to serve people who are in great need.

The Rev. F. M. Norstad
Director of Chaplaincy Services
Lutheran Welfare Society of Minnesota

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FOR CLINICAL PASTORAL EDUCATION*

Recommended by Committee on Clinical Training, Adopted Feb. 3, 1955 by Division of Welfare, NLC

Preamble

Christian Church, in emulating the Savior's concern suffering and distressed people down through the uries has shown its faith by its works of healing love. ors have brought, and daily bring, comfort, consolation, God's grace and forgiveness to sin-sick and suffering s; using the Means of God's grace entrusted to them by Lord and their Spirit-enlightened insights into the re of man. Today the rapidly emerging opportunities a spiritual ministry in public and private institutions the growing realization by the medical and other pro- ons that a clinically trained pastor also is a member he healing team combine to open for the church un- edented avenues of service. In carrying out this ministry he Lord, and as a means of increasing the effectiveness which pastors may use the Word and the Sacraments his changing world, specialized training is imperative. owing is a statement of standards to govern such ialized training.

efinition of Clinical Pastoral Education

ical pastoral education is an organized teaching-learn- program of study and practice in interpersonal relations theological students and pastors, conducted in an appropriate center, such as a hospital, correctional institution or other clinical situation, where an integrated program of theory and practice is individually supervised by a qualified chaplain-supervisor, with the collaboration of an interprofessional staff.

II. Purposes of Clinical Pastoral Education

Clinical pastoral education seeks to give the theological student or pastor an opportunity, *under supervision,* to deal directly with people and their problems and to learn by *actual clinical* experience:

(1) The power of the Gospel of Jesus Christ in changing, deepening and strengthening lives;
(2) The positive and negative spiritual factors which are present in physical illness and mental and emotional maladjustments;
(3) Pastoral insights into the dynamics underlying all human behavior;
(4) The more effective application of theological insights in his use of the Word, the Sacraments, prayer, preaching, counseling, and in group contacts;
(5) Effective pastoral methods which will enable him to deal with the deeper human motivations of which people often are not conscious;
(6) His unique resources, responsibilities, and the specific area of function as a pastor;
(7) The importance of learning to work cooperatively with representatives of other professions.

d on Standards approved by the National Conference on Clinical ral Training, as adopted by the representatives of the Council Clinical Training, Inc., The Institute of Pastoral Care, Inc., the eran Advisory Council on Pastoral Care, and the Association eminary Professors in the Practical Fields, October 13, 1953.

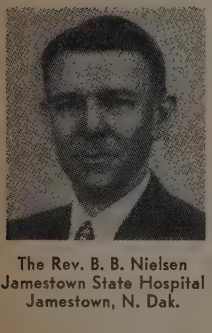
SIGNIFICANCE OF CLINICAL PASTORAL TRAINING

Dr. Edmund Smits
Associate Professor of Ethics and Pastoral Psychology, Luther Theological Seminary

Meeting patients and listening to them means studying life itself and winning dee insight into human troubles and sorrows. A pastor with trained eyes can discover impending disaster and can do many things to prevent its final outbreak. He can res persons and families. He can cooperate with the medical psychiatrist and become invaluable agent in the healing process.

When a patient comes home he needs a new situation and new personal relatio More than anybody else the trained pastor can be helpful.

To have real success in this kind of ministry a pastor needs special training. Wh this will change his methods and broaden his perspectives, basically he will rem a pastor, not a psychoanalyst. He will operate with God's Word and Sacrament. will speak of sin and grace and try to give the spiritual comfort of Jesus Christ to broken-hearted.



The Rev. B. B. Nielsen
Jamestown State Hospital
Jamestown, N. Dak.

The main function of a chaplain in a mental institution is to provide a healing spiritu ministry to patients. Since most mentally disturbed patients have a negative concept religion, the teaching of Christ has to be reinterpreted for them. In addition, the chapl is expected to interpret the inter-relationship of religion and mental health to chur and civic groups. This hospital offers twelve-week programs for the clinical pasto training of seminarians, clergy, and special church workers. There are also opportuniti for clergy in the state to obtain specialized training through a short course so that th ministry to the institutionalized person, as well as other counselling situations, m be based on a deeper Christian inter-personal relation and help people to find and perience the "peace of God which passes all understanding."

The Rev. Elmer Laursen
Fairview Hospital
Minneapolis, Minn.

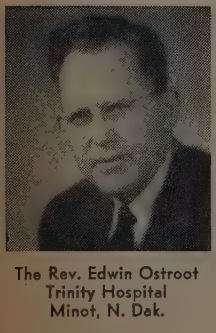
The resident chaplain of Fairview Hospital, Minneapolis is responsible for all religio activities of the hospital and the school of nursing.

The major work is the ministry to the sick, injured, and dying. Surgical patien are seen before surgery. Others are seen at their own request, or by referral of nurse doctors, relatives, and parish pastors.

Daily worship services in the hospital chapel are held for patients and personn Weekly services are held for student nurses, with Holy Communion celebrated monthl

Religion and church history courses are taught to student nurses.

A seminary intern has augmented chaplaincy services at Fairview Hospital.



The Rev. Edwin Ostroot
Trinity Hospital
Minot, N. Dak.

My chief work as hospital chaplain is to make pastoral visits with patients who ha come to this general surgical hospital for help. Those out-of-town patients separated b miles from their local pastor are my first responsibility. Though many of the visits a made at the request of doctors, nurses, pastors, and members of the family, others a the result of general calling. The visit is made with prayerful concern for people f whom Christ gave Himself.

The school of nursing gives the chaplain further opportunity through teaching an worship to help the student nurse see the possibility of serving others out of love f what God has done for us in Christ.

e Rev. Alvin H. Rogen
1000 Kohrs Street
Helena, Montana

" . . . And he had compassion on the multitudes" and "healing every manner of disease." This compassion has been flowing through His Church even to this day comforting the distressed and bringing healing to broken, wounded spirits and lives. At the Montana State Hospital, Sanitarium, and Prison the compassionate ministry of mercy is reaching approximately 1400 Protestants through the full-time services of the chaplain through regular Sunday worship services, the ministry of the Sacrament, weekly Bible studies and group conferences, plus hours and hours of ward visitation and private counselling.

This most comforting and rewarding ministry was introduced and established in 1954 through the prayerful and consecrated efforts of the Lutheran Welfare Society of Montana under the leadership of Pastor Rolf Normann, and other interested Protestant bodies who recognized in these institutions hundreds of forgotten folks crying for His forgiveness and love. This group of interested people secured their qualified chaplain through the Board of Charities of The Evangelical Lutheran Church.

ne Rev. Martin Trygstad
State Mental Hospital
Yankton, S. Dak.

Chaplain Martin Trygstad is the Protestant chaplain at the Yankton State Hospital in Yankton, South Dakota. As chaplain he has responsibility for the spiritual ministrations to all Protestant patients. He conducts services each Sunday morning with about 200 in regular attendance. During each week eight ward services are held. Chaplain Trygstad arranges for regular communion services conducted by other pastors along denominational lines. He also arranges for conferences between pastors and their parishioners who may be in the hospital. It is his hope that these may be arranged on a monthly basis. A great deal of his time is spent in a counselling ministry with the residents of the hospital. Plans are in the making for the development of a clinical training course for pastors under the direction of Chaplain Trygstad.

Herbert M. Skarie
Fergus Falls
State Hospital

By working together, the Lutheran chaplain and the state-appointed Protestant chaplain at the Fergus Falls State Hospital minister to about 1,400 Protestant patients who reside there over an extended period of time, as well as to several hundred more who stay for a relatively short period of treatment. Sunday morning worship services, weekly devotional periods on wards, and monthly communion services are conducted regularly. Many emotionally disturbed patients have regular visits and counseling sessions with the chaplains. Bedside visits to older patients are a daily occurrence.

The Rev. Thomas Collin
Norwegian Lutheran
Deaconess Home and
Hospital
Brooklyn, N. Y.

The Rev. Thomas L. H. Collin has been called to be the chaplain at Norwegian Lutheran Deaconesses' Home and Hospital, Brooklyn, New York. Chaplain Collin served as a Naval Chaplain before coming to Brooklyn to take Clinical Training. He will serve as chaplain for the hospital, as an instructor for the student nurses, and will develop a Pastoral Clinical Training program.

The Rev. A. W. Dahlberg
Rochester State Hospital
Rochester, Minn.

The parishioners are patients. Illness has forced them to the fringe of society fo time. Their illness has not removed them from the Communion of Saints—nor fr the compassionate concern of a Savior who came that they might have life and have abundantly. He is at work here through His word and sacraments. Many, as a res of His activity not only have peace with God, but are able to rejoice in affliction know that He is able to work through suffering that it might produce growth in character. them we minister in His name.

The Rev. Galen Morstad
Rockland State Hospital
Orangeburg, N. Y.

Rockland State is one of twenty-seven hospitals in the Mental Hygiene Program of Ne York State. Protestants make up one quarter of Rockland's population of 8200 and a ministered to by one full-time Protestant chaplain and a quarter time assistant. 1 children are in need of Christian education. It is but little that we can do for so mar Most of the patients are from Bellevue Hospital, New York City.

The need is tremendous, but the satisfactions are likewise. Where in all our society there a more crying need for the love, forgiveness, and healing of the Gospel of Chri like unto this!

PASTORS STUDY AT MENTAL HOSPITAL

RNS Photo

A group of Lutheran pastors and theological students recently spent six weeks at the state mental hospital, Willmar, Minn., in intensive study. They are pictured listening to a lecture by Dr. Frithjof Sorum (lower left), a member of the hospital staff. Dr. Sorum is a member of Vinge Church, Willmar, and is the lay representative on the Church Council from the Southern Minnesota District of the ELC.

The pastors' stay at the Willmar hospital is a part of the full-time 12-week course in clinical pastoral training sponsored jointly by Luther Theological Seminary, St. Paul, and the Lutheran Welfare Society of Minnesota.

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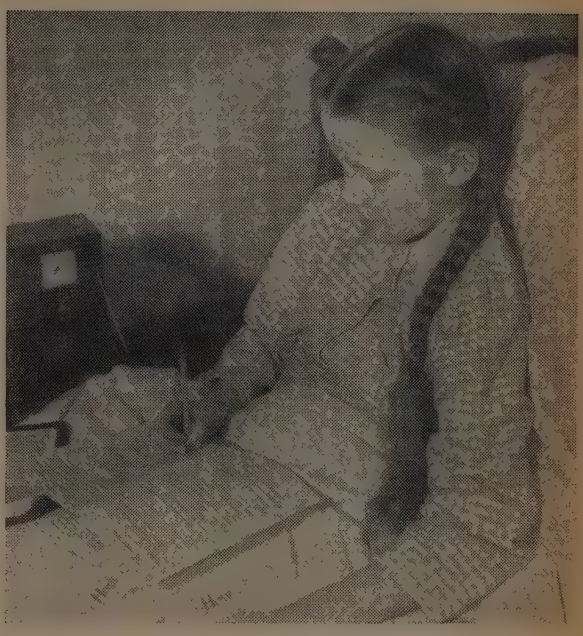
The Rev. G. W. Lokensgard of Toledo, Ohio (left), chats with nurse at the State Mental Hospital, Willmar, Minnesota, before con ducting a devotional service for mentally-ill women patients. Dr Sorum, a member of the staff, is shown in background talking wit one of the patients. Pastor Lokensgard, a member of the clergy o The ELC, was one of 12 Lutheran pastors and seminary students get ting a good idea of what it is like to be a patient in a mental hospi tal. They spent six weeks at the institution living with alcoholics an working with the mentally ill. This period was part of a 12-wee course in clinical pastoral training sponsored jointly by Luther Theo logical Seminary, St. Paul, and the Lutheran Welfare Society o Minnesota.

ne Ministry to the Sick

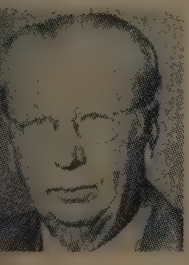
impossible to state when The Evangelical Luther-hurch began its work in the field of ministering to in the hospitals of our land. It surely has been a ram that has a history going back to the very be-ngs of our Church in America. Pastors and lay- carried on this work voluntarily long before the d began to call men specifically for this work. n of the volunteer program is still carried on. It magnificent testimony to the earnest Christian love concern on the part of our pastors and congrega-

e synod, through the Department of Charities, has nany years called men to minister in large general tals, sanatoriums, prisons, and training schools.* work must be steadily enlarged, more men must lled and trained for service to people in the name sus that the healing love of Christ may be brought ose in need of comfort, spiritual guidance, and a vledge of the way of salvation.

e following pages bring to you a picture of the t of this ministry as it is carried on under the ces of the Department of Charities.



eran Welfare Societies also call pastors through the Department rities to minister in the areas of service that have been assigned m.



e Rev. H. L. Anderson
Chaplain
kaalen Sunset Home
Stoughton, Wis.

Chaplain Anderson serves the Skaalen Sunset Home at Stoughton, Wis. In addition to his duties there he also ministers to 11 privately operated rest homes in the community. The rest homes care for between 85 and 95 residents and the Skaalen Home cares for about 80. Dr. C. W. Landahl, former missionary to China, has assisted Chaplain Anderson in his work.

Chaplain Anderson states, "The Skaalen Sunset Home in Stoughton, Wis., and many sunset homes built and maintained by faithful parishioners of the ELC through the Department of Charities, are definite evidence of sincere motives of Christian sympathy, consideration, and love."

It is the sincere desire of Pastor Anderson and the official staff of the Skaalen Sunset Home to minister faithfully to the spiritual needs of the people entrusted to their care.

e Rev. A. G. Baalson
Chaplain
Sioux Falls, S. Dak.

The Rev. A. G. Baalson serves as general hospital chaplain in the city of Sioux Falls, S. D. In this capacity he visits the Sioux Valley Hospital (Protestant) and McKennan Hospital (Catholic). In addition he also visits five privately operated rest homes. Most of the people he calls on are bed-ridden which means that his ministry is to individuals rather than to groups.

Pastor Baalson refers patients to their local pastors and if he discovers individuals who are unchurched he seeks to bring the ministry of the Word to them that they may be reached by the Gospel. He also gives to the local pastors information on these unchurched patients. During 1954 he referred about 190 unchurched patients to various pastors.

The Rev. H. T. Braa
Chaplain
Minnesota Soldiers Home

The Minnesota Soldiers Home is a state owned and operated institution open t disabled and indigent veterans, residents of the state, and participants in any U States war. It is open also to their wives, widows, and mothers.

There is a full time Protestant chaplain, and a Catholic Priest who serves his peop

The Protestant chaplain, conducts worship services on Sunday, visits the sick, leads a Bible Study group. He is available for counseling at all times and has superv of entertainments sponsored by church, school, and service organizations.

There are approximately 500 members in the Home, representing all major fa Over 90% of the Protestant population are Lutheran.

The Rev. R. U. Evjenth
Institutional Chaplain
San Francisco City Mission
San Francisco, Calif.

The Rev. R. U. Evjenth has spent 40 years serving people in the city and state hospi prisons, and homes for the aged in the San Francisco area. He has visited tens of thous of people and has conducted many thousands of worship and devotional meetings.

In San Quentin prison he has had 96,756 interviews with prisoners, 20,569 prisoners l attended his Bible Class hours, 240 prisoners have been confirmed in the Christian f 215 have been baptized, and 638 have received Holy Communion. Hundreds of thous of tracts and pieces of Christian literature have been distributed to individuals.

Pastor Evjenth has not confined his work to the prison, but has gone out into community and the state to visit the families of prisoners, seeking to give help wher possible. He has made almost 13,000 home calls during this period of a 40-year mini He has appeared 937 times in juvenile courts and has had many hundreds of confere with doctors, attorneys, and probation officers in behalf of those whom he has been serv

The Rev. James Falk
Chaplain
Norwegian Old People's
Home Society
Chicago, Ill.

At the Norwegian Old People's Home in Chicago, Illinois, the Rev. James Falk bri the Gospel to the aged, the sick and dying through daily devotions, Sunday serm counselling, visitations, and mid-week services. He also conducts the service of H Communion to all who request it.

At the Chicago State Mental Hospital Dr. Falk ministers to the spiritual needs those who are mentally ill. He gives a good deal of attention to the patients who senile. This is a field that needs much work. Doors are opening to minister to people state hospitals, and the Church must accept the challenge to provide men for these portunities. Many are reached through the Christian sympathy, friendliness, and un standing of the chaplain.

The Rev. C. J. Fylling
Institutional Chaplain
North Dakota State
Training School
Mandan, N. Dak.

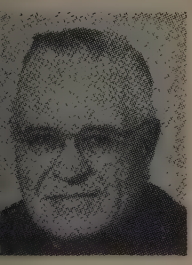
The Rev. C. J. Fylling began his work in the hospitals of Mandan and Bismarck and the State Training School at Mandan in 1916 on a voluntary basis. At this time he serving First Lutheran Church, Hart River, and Stone congregations. Seeing the n for this work, he, with his wife, voluntarily entered into it. He continued on this b and in 1929 resigned his pastorates and took up work under the auspices of the In Mission Society with a call to serve patients in the State Hospital, TB Sanatorium, School for the Blind and Feeble-Minded, together with work in the penitentiary training school. Later, the Lutheran Welfare Society of North Dakota took over work of the Inner Mission Society and Pastor Fylling has worked under their ausp since that time.

At present he is instructing five classes in the Christian faith at the Mandan Train School. He also conducts services there and is instructing two classes at the State Pe tentiary and one at the State Farm for Prisoners. He visits patients in two Bisma hospitals and one in Mandan. Each Sunday morning he preaches to the prisoners at State Farm south of Bismarck.

Rev. Helmer Halverson
ıstitutional Chaplain
Brooklyn, N. Y.

Chaplain Halvorson ministers to the spiritual needs of patients in the Kings County Hospital, Maimonides Hospital, and the Brooklyn Mental State Hospital in Brooklyn. He also calls on aged people in rest homes and hospitals in the Brooklyn area and seeks to serve the spiritual needs of all that he is able to reach.

The state of New York has taken action to supply accredited chaplaincy services to all Protestant, Catholic, and Jewish hospitals in the state. It is the concern of The Evangelical Lutheran Church to provide as many men for this work as possible.

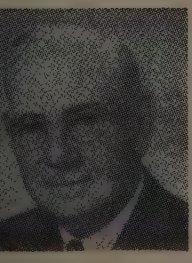


he Rev. C. E. Hansen
Chaplain
La Crosse, Wis.

Pastor Hansen, working under the Lutheran Welfare Society of Wisconsin, ministers to patients in four general hospitals in La Crosse, Wis. He also visits the La Crosse County Home and Infirmary in which there are over 100 residents. Chaplain Hansen seeks out sick and lonely people in the large hospitals of La Crosse. Patients are coming to these hospitals from Iowa, Illinois, Minnesota, and North and South Dakota. These people, many of them far from home, appreciate the services of a chaplain who can call upon them regularly while they are ill. Those in the county home and infirmary usually are there for long periods of time. These people, particularly, receive benefits from the ministry of the Lutheran Church through its chaplain appointed to care for their spiritual needs. While most of the service is on an individual basis, the county home does provide for conducting a worship service every third Sunday.

Rev. G. W. Lokensgard
Chaplain
Toledo, Ohio

The Lutheran Welfare Service of Northwestern Ohio is a joint endeavor representing the Lutheran Churches of the area. The work of the chaplain in Toledo includes counseling at the office and contact with patients at the Lucas County Home and Hospital and William Roche Memorial Hospital (TB). The Welfare Service has been appointed to provide official Protestant chaplaincy service for these two institutions. The Protestant chaplain conducts regular church services, and a Bible class in each institution; an office is provided for private counseling with patients. On referral he calls on patients at the State Mental Hospital. Recently work has begun at a rest home. A developing type of service is doctor-pastor conferences to further more effective pastoral care of the sick.



he Rev. O. O. Lovaas
Chaplain
an Haven Sanatorium
Dunseth, N. Dak.

Concerning his work, Chaplain O. O. Lovaas writes, "For over 40 years our Church has ministered to the spiritual needs of the patients at the North Dakota State Tubercular Hospital at San Haven. During these years thousands of patients have entered this sanatorium with a despondent spirit, thinking that they were at the end of their journey. But through the means of grace which have been ministered to these people, hope, peace, joy, and health have been restored to many.

"It is with a grateful heart to God and our Church that I can now look back upon the 11 years which I have been privileged to serve as a Chaplain at this institution under the auspices of the North Dakota Lutheran Welfare Society.

"May our Christian people ever be mindful of the need of ministering to the spiritual need of the sick and shut-ins and ever remember, 'Blessed are the merciful for they shall obtain mercy.'"

The Rev. T. O. Lovaas
City Chaplain
Dept. of Correction
New York, N. Y.

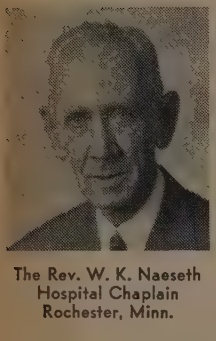
Chaplain Lovaas states, "Since February 1944 I have been Protestant City Chaplai the city prison, Manhattan; best known as 'The Tombs Prison.'

"Of the nearly 35,000 inmates who leave this prison every year, most of them remained from four months to over a year.

"More than 65,000 scripture portions, tracts, and other selected Christian litera are given out each year.

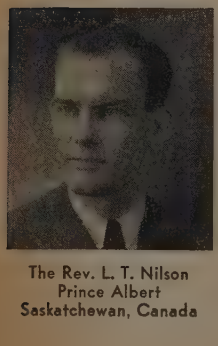
"The main object of my ministry has been to lead men to Christ. The Lord wonderfully blest these endeavors.

"Increasingly much time is given to counselling. Students from Union Theolo Seminary have received permission to study problems of juvenile delinquents under supervision."



The Rev. W. K. Naeseth
Hospital Chaplain
Rochester, Minn.

For over thirty years it has been my privilege to serve under the Board of Charitie The Evangelical Lutheran Church in the hospital ministry at Rochester, Minnesota. A 130,000 patients visit the Mayo Clinic each year and each year since 1946 over Lutherans have been staying in the hospitals here. Among so many, visits are all short and hurried for a full pastoral service, but it is always possible to point to C as the Savior and the Great Physician. With the Word and Sacraments and in pray is a richly blessed experience to see the faith and patience of believers as a pastor w a little while with them on the paths of trial and of triumph that they are called to foll



The Rev. L. T. Nilson
Prince Albert
Saskatchewan, Canada

The pastor of Prince Albert Evangelical Lutheran Church has for several years se as chaplain under the Board of Charities of The Evangelical Lutheran Church to institutions within the city. This includes two general hospitals, one provincial sanator two provincial gaols—one for men and one for women, one federal penitentiary. year there will also be a home for the aged.

The work covered by this chaplain includes weekly visits to three hospitals. There opportunities for counseling, instruction, and worship services in the sanatorium. work in the three penal institutions is by appointment arranged with the warden o chaplain of the penitentiary. We place in the hands of our people in the hospitals institutions either a copy of a New Testament letter published by the Bible Societ a copy of "Christ in Our Home." We also use tracts and books for this purpose. years ago the WMF groups of the Prince Albert Circuit made it their special proje undertake the cost of these materials.

Rev. S. H. Njaa
Chaplain
Northwood Deaconess
Hospital
Old People's Home
Northwood, N. Dak.

Pastor S. H. Njaa began to serve as a chaplain at the Northwood Deaconess Ho and Old People's Home in the year 1913 besides serving three churches near North Since 1948 he has served as full-time chaplain at these two institutions. He conducts wegian services in the chapel every Sunday morning at 9:30, and English services i evening. On weekday evenings he conducts devotions in the chapel and all these se are heard in the hospital and Old People's Home through the public address system visits all the patients every day in the hospital and makes daily calls at the Home.

Rev. L. M. Osness
theran Deaconess
Hospital
Chicago, Ill.

As an arm of the Church, our hospital operates under Divine Mandate to enter troubled lives with Divine concern. Headed by a professional chaplain, this department is an integral part of the institution in its ministry to the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of the sick. Intelligent soul care is taught to the nurses by the chaplain and is integrated with the work of both doctor and nurse in the total care of the patient. By direct bedside visitation and daily use of the public address system the healing and strengthening forces of the Gospel are brought to both patients and personnel. The American Protestant Hospital Association has accredited Chaplain Osness as a professional hospital chaplain.

Rev. H. R. Peterson
Visiting Pastor
te School for Girls
uk Centre, Minn.

For seven years it has been my good fortune to act as a visiting pastor to our State School for Girls at Sauk Centre, Minnesota. Each year we have conducted both confirmation and general instruction classes, visiting the school an average of two times a week, seeking to bring to these unfortunate persons the Word of God, and through it a better way of life.

We do not often see the fruits of our labors, but we know that His Word which we preach and teach never returns to him void. It always accomplishes that which it is sent to perform. During these seven years 63 girls have been confirmed, and of these, 14 have been baptized.

e Rev. O. Qualen
Chaplain
agle Rock, Calif.

The Rev. O. Qualen, after discontinuing his regular pastoral work in 1941, has been occupied with a chaplaincy duty in Los Angeles, California. The institutions he visits with a spiritual message are the Federal Home and Hospital for Veterans, Santelle, Calif., the Casa Del Mar Sanatorium, and the Los Angeles County Jail.

Pastor Qualen writes that of all his work the Bible classes conducted in the Los Angeles County Jail are of the greatest inspiration to him. It is the thinking of Pastor Qualen that an organization for those who work specifically with prisoners should be formed in order that this group ministering to a special group of men and women might do a more effective work.

Rev. E. E. Ramsey
ctor of Chaplaincy
Services
eran Welfare Assn.
Oregon

The Lutheran Chaplaincy Service of Oregon was established in 1953 by Chaplain Elling E. Ramsey. The program is state-wide and is sponsored jointly by the department of Charities of The Evangelical Lutheran Church and the Lutheran Welfare Association of Oregon.

As Director of Chaplaincy Services, we organize the visitation of pastors to local hospitals and sanatoria, and lay-workers to the nursing, convalescent, and rest homes.

We have also organized a program of orientation for all of these who visit in order that they might make the best use of their time and accomplish the ultimate purpose of our program.

The field is unlimited. The state population is growing—we plan to grow with it.

The Rev. R. Simonson
Chaplain
Sunnyside Rest Home
Audubon, Minn.

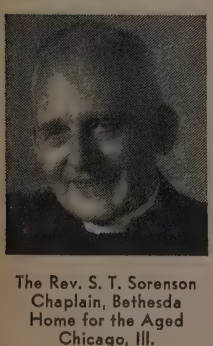
As chaplain of the Sunnyside Rest Home we direct our total efforts to provide sp nurture for the residents.

This is undertaken by making the ministry of the Word and Sacrament availa those who make their home here. A visitation schedule which is both genera individual in its character is carried on. Devotionals with both individuals and are conducted. The Lord's Supper is given to those who desire to partake. Trac other Christian literature are distributed.

Pastors in the area co-operate in ministering to the needs of the residents of t home. The spirit of co-operation between the neighborhood pastors, the chaplai staff, and management of the home is excellent.

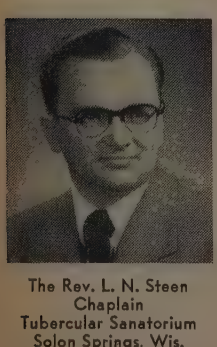
The Rev. A. M. Skindlov
Institutional Chaplain
Spokane, Wash.

The Rev. A. M. Skindlov, Institutional Chaplain, Spokane, Wash., ministers to pa in 11 hospitals in the Spokane area. In this ministry he conducts worship services State Hospital and through them reaches about 800 people each month. In his pe visitations he reaches about 225 patients monthly. Through the distribution of thou of tracts and booklets he brings the ministry of the Word to large numbers. A institutional chaplain of The Evangelical Lutheran Church in Spokane he refers Lutheran pastors those patients that he feels may be benefited through contact wi local pastors.



The Rev. S. T. Sorenson
Chaplain, Bethesda
Home for the Aged
Chicago, Ill.

Pastor Sorenson writes, "Years ago a dear aging neighbor remarked, 'When we g most people pay us little attention.' Old age brings loneliness; many friends are The old pagan world had little time for the aged. Christ came telling us that every precious. Through its homes for the aged the Christian Church interprets the E of Love by helping provide security, not only for the body but also for the hear soul of those facing life's sunset. It is the chaplain's privilege to help these people and confess, 'The Lord is my shepherd, I shall not want.' "



The Rev. L. N. Steen
Chaplain
Tubercular Sanatorium
Solon Springs, Wis.

Chaplain Steen writes, "It was eight o'clock one evening when the telephone 'Middle River Sanatorium calling for Rev. Lawrence Steen.' Taking my books and munion supplies I left immediately for the sanatorium. There I found a man faced the prospect of going into eternity without peace with God. When I came into his he began to unburden his heart. Not 'big sins,' but those we might call small a when unforgiven. It was a privilege to bring to him the Gospel, the message of forgi of sins in Christ our Savior. It was also a privilege to witness the peace that ca him." This incident portrays the work of the chaplain in this type of an institutio minister to those who are in need of the spiritual truth that God's Word supplie

Rev. L. O. Sunde
plain, Los Angeles
ty General Hospital
usand Oaks, Calif.

Pastor L. O. Sunde serves as institutional chaplain at the Los Angeles County General Hospital. This hospital, having a capacity for 3,300 patients, is next to the largest hospital in the world. It is unique in that it cares primarily for the poor and homeless who have little or no funds with which to pay for services rendered.

Pastor L. O. Sunde has served as the only National Lutheran Council Chaplain for a period of over three years. He states that there are, on an average, 100 Lutheran patients constantly receiving medical care. Many of these are old, homeless, friendless, and forgotten people. A few are hardened sinners—many are seeking God. Some are Christians who leave a ray of sunshine in the ward. Many come from broken homes. The need for careful counseling is urgent. The chaplain must be skilled in his understanding of human nature, psychology, and spiritual problems. These people need so much the courage, strength, insight and the spiritual food that is necessary to help them.

Rev. F. J. Swenson
itutional Chaplain
Eau Claire, Wis.

Under the direction of the Lutheran Welfare Society of Wisconsin the Rev. F. J. Swenson brings the following report: "My field and weekly schedules here in Eau Claire are as follows: I visit Luther Hospital in Eau Claire on Monday and Thursday, St. Joseph's Hospital in Chippewa Falls on Tuesday, Sacred Heart Hospital in Eau Claire on Wednesday, and Mount Washington Sanatorium in Eau Claire every Friday. A weekly devotional service is held at the Mount Washington Sanatorium every Friday night alternately by the Missouri Synod chaplain and myself. Regular communion services are also held for the Lutheran group. All Protestant patients in the sanatorium are visited.

"Every second Sunday of the month a service at the Dunn County Hospital for the mentally ill is conducted. The pastor of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Menomonie conducts a service on the last Sunday of each month.

"The average number of calls per month runs between four and five hundred."

Rev. O. R. Swenson
Chaplain
vah-ching Sanatorium
Walker, Minn.

The Rev. Oscar R. Swenson is the ELC chaplain at the Minnesota State Sanatorium at Ah-gwah-ching. In this capacity he serves under the direction of the Department of Charities and ministers to the spiritual needs of patients in this hospital. They are in all age groups, from one year to about 100. This means that the ministry must be varied. Pastor Swenson has conducted Sunday school instruction for children and is providing Christian literature and devotional materials to those who desire it. The administration of the sanatorium provides for the services of six chaplains. The chapel services are broadcast over the house intercommunication system so that patients unable to attend the chapel services may receive the blessing of them in their rooms.

e Rev. A. K. Vinje
titutional Chaplain
Seattle, Wash.

Through Chaplain Vinje the ELC is carrying on a spiritual ministry to the sick in this city of over 500,000 population. Scheduled visitations are made in Harbor View Hospital, Furland Sanatorium (a county tuberculosis hospital), Laurel Beach (a private sanatorium) and calls are made at most of the hospitals and nursing homes in the city.

Institutional services are conducted weekly at Ackerson House (shelter home for unmarried mothers) operated by the Associated Lutheran Welfare of Washington, at homes for the aged, and monthly services are held at Furland and Laurel Beach Sanatoriums. The polio center in Harbor View Hospital, one of the five such centers in the U.S., is also visited.

Some counseling is done with unmarried mothers, at our youth center, and at our jails.

Pastor Vinje has been appointed as a member of the Governor's Interfaith Advisory Committee which is seeking to establish a full-time chaplaincy program for state institutions.

The Rev. E. O. Walker
Chaplain
Edmonton
Alberta, Canada

Edmonton is a key city in central Alberta and a main center for the area reaching the Peace River, the Northwest territories, and the Yukon in northern Canada. It is a great hospital center for this area.

In the work of the chaplaincy service we reach many people with the Gospel of risen Lord and Savior in hospitals, mental institutions and prisons. It is a great privil to be a messenger of the Lord bringing the Word of God with cheerfulness and he

Visitation is made in hospitals. Lay members in teams also do good work. Le pastors are asked to visit their own members and to give attention to nearby hospi Sunday services are held regularly in the mental hospital by Pastor Walker. One Sun a month is assigned to the Lutherans for a service in the sanatorium.

For the past several years The Evangelical Lutheran Church has provided part-time chaplaincy services to the boys at the Minnesota State Training School at Red Wing, Minnesota. The goal of the spiritual program is to introduce Christ to those who have not heard the Gospel and to strengthen and nurture those who already know Christ as their personal Savior. To achieve this goal, regular worship services are held each Sunday morning for the 250 Protestant boys the school. In addition there are about 60 boys attend confirmation instruction each week and every boy has opportunity for private spiritual instruction and coun when he desires.

Robert Nervig and Orwoll Anderson, seniors at Lut Theological Seminary, are currently serving in this ch laincy capacity.

Recruiting and Training

Because of so much uncertainty and conflict abroad in the world, and closer to home, the concerns for the aged, the delinquency of our time, mental illness, broken homes and their sad results, we almost shudder to think of the demands that are upon us, both to continue and to step up our activity.

We are concerned because not more young people in our Church—now numbering a million souls—who possess the intellectual, emotional, and spiritual equipment to perform well in this field have come forth to say, "Here am I, take me!"

It may be that we have failed to present adequately the opportunities and rewards for service in this field. It may be that we have not presented the story well enough and consistently enough.

At the same time let it be stated that for about ten years an effort has been made to attract dedicated people to equip themselves with special training in the social welfare field. It is heartening to come across a long list of social service scholarship recipients during the last decade, who have prepared themselves, some by one and others by two years of graduate training in an accredited school of social work.

The Scholarships are awarded to those who "agree to accept employment for a period of two years in a plan of work acceptable to the Board of Charities." Naturally, many of the young women have, so to speak, "left the field" to set up their own homes, but even so they carry with them their skills and valuable experience to be of help and understanding in the congregation and community. Many begin to serve as valuable institution and agency board members.

The Board of Charities takes occasion to send gr ings to many of these who have pursued graduate stu under our scholarships. As this comes to your attenti perhaps a letter from you might be in order as share with us your latest assignment and present sph of influence and responsibility.

You know something of what it takes; you acquainted with the demands of the job, the prepa tion that is necessary. Will you join us in recruiti for this exacting service to the Church and to fellowmen? We address this greeting to:

Ruth N. Anderson, Joseph Belgum, Henry Dau Jurine Fjaere, Benjamin Gjenvick, Ella Gorder, Don Gruber, Theodore Jacobson, Ethelmae Johnson, A Jorgenson, Evelyn Klyve, Louise Koch, Ana Kostel Sara Nordlie, Olga Oen, Arlette Pederson, Kathr Peterson, Grace Rasmussen, Olive Ring, Mary Smin vik, Doris Tanner, Mary Lou Tannus, Elda Ust, Ru Wickney, Adelma Williams, Pauline Aamodt, Elw Boe, Clarice Hoekstra, Joan Holtan, Leonard Lars Bettie Stride, James Ursin, Howard Paulson, Oli Bergeland, Mary Lou Fjeldahl, Douglas Jacobson, N man Lunde, Fernanda U. Malmin, Lawrence Rolefs Margaret Ronnerud, Robert Schuelke, Ronald Sod quist, Norman Tolo, Larrie Wanberg, Jean Warn Ingolf C. Dahl, Milton Erickson, Harvey Glomm Marlyce Jacobson, Robert M. Jacobson, Eileen Baals H. Roderick Daniels, Willard Rasmussen, Dale Jar gaard, Deloris Larson, Myron Medin, Ruth Myli, Ru Reinertson, Helen Skalet, Lee Harm Smook, Reub Jessup.

Graduate Schools This Year . . .

EACH year about ten students are recipients of scholarships for graduate study in social work. The scholarships vary in amounts up to $1,000, depending upon individual plans and circumstances. Applicants must be confirmed Lutherans with acceptable scholastic records.

Some scholarships are also provided in the fields of hospital administration, the teaching of nursing arts, and institutional chaplaincy.

Information on any of these scholarships may be secured by writing the Department of Charities, 422 South Fifth Street, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

oan Marie Engel

Miss Joan Marie Engel, Moorhead, Minnesota, graduate of Concordia College, Moorhead, Minnesota, is at the School of Social Work, Florida State University.

Mr. Carl Field, Hatton, North Dakota, graduate of Augustana College, Sioux Falls, South Dakota, is at the School of Social Service Administration, University of Chicago.

Mr. Lowell A. Grottveit of Beresford, South Dakota, graduate of St. Olaf College, is at the School of Social Work, University of Iowa.

Robert Sorenson

Mr. Donald W. Ogard, Seattle, Washington, graduate of Pacific Lutheran College, Parkland, Washington, is at the School of Social Work, University of Washington.

Miss Noreen Paulson, Mankato, Minnesota, graduate of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota, is at the School of Social Work, University of Pennsylvania.

Mr. Robert Sorenson, Sioux City, Iowa, graduate of Morningside College in Sioux City, had his first year of graduate study in the field of social work at the University of Nebraska. He is now attending the School of Social Work, University of Iowa.

Carl Field

Miss Janina Vitans, of Minneapolis, Minnesota, graduate of Ohio State University, Columbus, Ohio, is finishing her second year of graduate study at Ohio State University.

Mr. Kenneth Krause, St. Paul, Minnesota, is at the University of Minnesota School of Social Work.

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Meditations for the Family Altar

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TOWARD QUINQUAGESIMA SUNDAY

The Epistle: I Peter 3:18-22

The Gospel: Matthew 3:

Monday, February 6
OUR CHAMPION

Read I Peter 3:18-22

Who has gone into heaven and is at the right hand of God, with angels, authorities, and powers subject to him.

This section of Peter's Epistle is very sweeping. It sings a grand song of Christ, our Champion. He is presented as the righteous Savior who died for unrighteous people. In so doing He conquered the greatest enemy of man. Triumphantly He entered the stronghold of Satan to proclaim His victory. Now He has gone into heaven where He reigns over all.

How do I benefit by what He has done? By being baptized into the Name of the Triune God. This saves me. I trust my baptism because it was done in faith and in trust. Now I am fully leaning on the grace of God in Christ Jesus.

What does my Champion want me to do? He has invited me to follow His leading. He wants me to walk, not with the slow, halting steps of a weakling, but as all true sons and daughters of God should walk. And in Jesus' Name, I will!

Guide Thou my steps, O Jesus. Amen.

Tuesday, February 7
HOW TO KEEP IT

Read Matthew 21:42-44

"Therefore I tell you, the kingdom of God will be taken away from you and given to a nation producing the fruits of it."

This was the conclusion Jesus made to the Parable of the Vineyard. The Jews did not accept Christ, they did not bring forth the fruits of righteousness. For that reason the Kingdom was taken away from them and given to the Gentiles.

If you want to lose Christ all you need do is nothing. Never pray to Him, never worship Him, never act in His spirit. It won't take long for Christ to pass out of your life. But the question is this: How shall I go about keeping the faith God has given me? The answer is simple in words, but hard in deeds.

I must produce the two fruits God looks for in the vineyard of His Kingdom. They are the fruits of repentance and the fruits of righteousness. Not for the first year but in every season of my life. Christianity does not consist in sitting around in the faith. It means getting up on your two feet and living Christ.

Wednesday, February 8
THE CHURCH

Read Ephesians 5:25-27

That the church might be present fore him in splendor, without sp wrinkle or any such thing, that she be holy and without blemish.

Sometimes we allow ourselves to shoddy thoughts about the Churc let ourselves take a low view of it. who are outside the Church and ha wish to be a part of it, can speak the evils they see in it. They critici Church for its failures. They see th ple who are members of it and po all manner of weaknesses and failu

But that is not the Church. Church is a splendid thing, holy without blemish. Christ made it tha by His work as High Priest. An presented it to God "without sp wrinkle or any such thing."

For this reason we love it and ar that we have been called to be me of it. To be a part of the household faith means, among other thing count ourselves members of the C of Jesus Christ, and to serve Him.

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Thursday, February 9
ACT NOW

Read Luke 18:35-43

They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"

Fully aware of the fact that he was a blind man and that he wanted to have his sight, there were several things this man did *not* do when Jesus came by. For one thing he did not say, "Now, here is someone who can help me get my sight. Remind me to ask Him sometime if He will heal me." Nor did he say, "I wonder if I should ask for His help. I doubt if it would do any good. I'm blind and that's that." And he did not excuse himself by saying that he wasn't worth attention from the Savior.

We are glad that he *did* the right thing. He grasped at the chance he had. There was Jesus going by! So he shouted. No time for putting things off. No point in turning the idea over in his mind. He acted now. He wasn't heard the first time so he called again. But he got the attention of Jesus, and that's what mattered. And he was healed. This is a good story for all of us. Let us remember the time is *now*.

Friday, February 10
OVERTURE

Read Isaiah 53:1-7

Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted.

This favorite selection from the Book of Isaiah comes to us at this season of the year as a reminder of the coming season of Lent. Here we have the first notes of the symphony of the suffering Savior. "Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows . . . He was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities . . . yet he opened not his mouth; like a lamb that is led to the slaughter." So reads this lovely passage.

Thank God that the season of Lent finds room in the observances of many people even today. We need it to keep reminding ourselves of the love of God in Christ, and of our constant need of forgiveness.

If we have said that here we have an overture, or prelude to Lent, let us say that we will attune our hearts to the Word of God so that as we follow the Christ on the way of His passion, we shall have a rich blessing at His hands.

Saturday, February 11
HE SAW AND HE SAID S

Read John 1:29-34

And John bore witness . . . "I seen and borne witness that this Son of God."

Perhaps you know that there are people who have read the Bible a good many books about the Bibl still come away from it without beli in Jesus as the Son of God. Of you wonder why they don't under and why they don't see. The simpl swer is that they have not allowe Holy Spirit to testify to them. They read with their eyes but have b what they have read from getting the eyes of their soul.

John saw and he said so. That of the things that made John the tist great. It happened to him a made sure that it was going to h to many others.

Now, how about you? Have you Jesus and do you bear witness to It is an important question and cal a true answer. You have seen no unless you have seen Christ, the S God. You have said nothing unless have witnessed to Christ. Be sure see, then say so.

Here and There on the Christian Front

Edited by Raymond M. Olson

K PUBLIC HEARING N HAITI TREATY

otestant groups have asked the Sen- Foreign Relations Committee to ld public hearings on a proposed aty of friendship, commerce and vigation with the Republic of Haiti. ey object to the omission from the aty of customary religious liberty arantees for American citizens re- ling abroad. Among the organiza- ns who made the request are the ational Council of Churches, Na- nal Association of Evangelicals, Bap- t Joint Committee on Public Affairs d Friends Committee on National gislation.

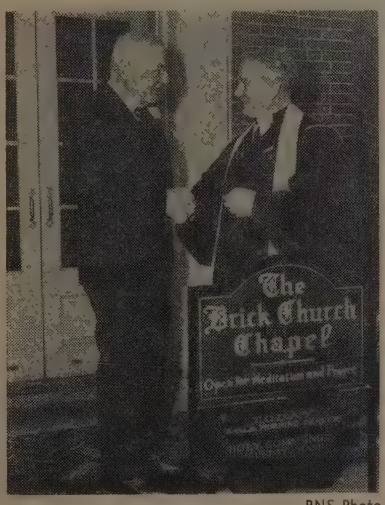
The agencies wrote Sen. Walter F. orge (D.-Ga.), chairman of the mmittee, demanding that, before the aitian treaty is sent to the Senate or for ratification, the absence of a ligious liberty clause be the subject a hearing.

A study made by the Washington ice of the National Council of hurches cites the treaty in force with enmark and other small nations as e accepted standard form of re- gious liberty guarantee. The perti- nt clause reads: "Nationals of either rty within the territories of the her Party shall be permitted: (a) to avel therein freely, and to reside at aces of their choice; (b) to enjoy perty of conscience; (c) to hold both blic and private religious services; d) to gather and transmit material r dissemination to the public abroad; d (e) to communicate with other rsons inside and outside such terri- ries by mail, telegraph, and other eans open to general public use." he proposed treaty with Haiti omits auses (b) and (c).

RATITUDE CALLED BASIS OR GIVING

ratitude is the real basis for Chris- an giving, rather than the flimsy and lse motivations so often used in hurch budget-raising and financial mpaigns, declared Dr. John Peters New York, head of the stewardship department of the Presbyterian Church USA, when he addressed the opening session of the Interdenominational Every Member Canvass Conference in Chicago in early January. "Such appeals as 'Beat Communism,' 'Make the world safe from the atomic bomb,' and 'Preserve our denomination' are pretty thin reasons for church giving," he said.

DULLES AT HOME CHURCH



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Secretary of State John Foster Dulles is welcomed by Dr. Paul A. Wolfe, minister of Brick Presbyterian Church in New York, on his first visit to his home church in three years. Mr. Dulles assisted in serving communion to a congregation of more than 250 persons. The son of a Presbyterian minister, he maintains an active interest in church affairs.

"Our response to the love of Christ is the foundation for giving," Dr. Peters pointed out. "When the individual realizes what God has done for him, he is thankful, and he reaches out in response with that which is in his heart. One should give and now know where it goes. For too long the American business man has been conditioned to being told for what specific projects his money is going. Today American money is suspect in many parts of the world. The church is facing a period when it may have to give anonymously. Mission funds must be pooled with those of other Christian nations so that the good is done in the name of Christianity rather than in the name of the United States."

"Kick out the schemes," Dr. Peters told the stewardship leaders, "and make people understand the true nature of the Christian Church. The work of the Church is evangelism and churches must awake to the connection between evangelism and the Every Member Canvass. The Church must have money to do its job. Unless the Church speaks out boldly, it will be under judgment from both God and society. It has almost the sole responsibility to instigate such giving."

LATIN AMERICA MIXED MARRIAGES

Mixed marriages and a tendency to confuse political assimilation with a turning toward Roman Catholicism were seen as the greatest threats to Protestants in Latin America by a German pastor who spent four months visiting Lutheran congregations in Central and South America. He was Dr. Johannes Pfeiffer of West Berlin, who undertook the visitation tour on behalf of the Lutheran World Federation's Committee on Latin America.

Visiting headquarters of the National Lutheran Council in New York, Dr. Pfeiffer said he found many Lutherans, including some active and even leading members of Lutheran congregations in Latin American republics, had married Roman Catholic wives and were rearing their children as Roman Catholics. The problem of mixed marriages was aggravated in the thoroughly Roman Catholic and Spanish speaking nations by the feeling that in order to make the children fully assimilated citizens of those countries they "just had to be reared as Roman Catholics," the Berlin pastor added.

Since he found the idea that "joining the Spanish-speaking element meant joining the Roman Catholic schools" so prevalent even among

PRAYER SERVICE AS CONGRESS OPENS

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An interdenominational service of intercession and Holy Communion in National Presbyterian Church, Washington, D.C., marked the reconvening of Congress. Among the prominent Protestant churchmen, congressmen and government officials present were, left to right: Senator Edward Martin of Pennsylvania; Dr. Edward L. R. Elson, pastor of the host church; Senator John C. Stennis of Mississippi; Secretary of the Army Wilbur M. Brucker; and Dr. Eugene Carson Blake of Philadelphia, president of the National Council of Churches. The service was the first held under other than Presbyterian auspices. Mr. Brucker and ten congressmen joined four clergymen in serving communion.

Protestant immigrants, Dr. Pfeiffer stressed the importance of creating good Protestant schools along with strong, indigenous Protestant churches.

He stated that he considered it of special importance that he could visit the Latin American Lutherans not as a representative of a national German church but of the world-wide and nationality-wide unlimited Lutheran World Federation. He thought this to be of specific importance in countries like Colombia where Protestants face a militant Roman Catholic church.

ALFA REPORTS FOR '55

Farmers in sixteen agricultural states donated 199 full carloads of farm commodities to the 1955 All Lutheran Food Appeal, it has been announced by the Rev. Ove R. Nielson, director of the program. "Our Lutheran farmers have again demonstrated their concern for those who dwell in lands of hunger and sorrow by bringing generous gifts of food to the foot of the Cross," he said.

In spite of a severe drought which prohibited farmers in Nebraska and parts of South Dakota from contributing corn this year, the total full carload contributions accounted for at the end of 1955 exceeded by 23 the full carloads donated in 1954, the director explained. The full carload donations consisted of 164 carloads of corn, 34 carloads of wheat, and one carload of beans. Still uncounted are various donations in less than carload quantities.

Statewise most carloads, namely 72 carloads of corn and three carload wheat, were gathered in Minnesota carloads of corn in Illinois, 20 loads in Ohio. In Iowa the farm contributed 14 and in Missouri carloads of corn. In South Dakota contribution consisted of nine carlo of corn and three carloads of wh Montana and North Dakota each g nine carloads of wheat, while Wisc sin provided the same quantity of co Four carloads of wheat were provi in Nebraska, and two each in Kar and Washington. The farmers Michigan gave three carloads of c and the only full carload of beans.

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

Parties with a Christian orientat suffered a heavy setback in the Fre national elections and will constitut small minority group in the new p liament. Two-thirds of the depu elected belong to anti-clerical part who are pledged to work for the peal of laws that provide limited St aid to church school pupils. . . . Ar bishop Thomas Pothacamury of Ban lore, India, speaking for the Rom Catholic hierarchy of that country, h appealed to Christian forces in t world to support the movement f political and social change in Asia a help prevent it from being victimiz by Communist imperialism.

ISRAELI PRESIDENT GREETS CHRISTIAN LEADERS

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President Itzhak Svi of Israel (left) greeted representatives of 15 Christian comm nities in the country at a New Year's reception in Jerusalem. Shown with him are thre of the Christian leaders present. Left to right: The Rev. Girgis Yacoub Khoury of t Syrian Orthodox Church; the Rev. Abba Gabre Mariom, Superior of the Ethiopi Convent of Debra Bennet; and the Rev. Joachim El Anthony, Superior of the Copt Convent. Mr. Ben Zvi expressed the hope that friendship and brotherhood would prev among the various communities in Israel and that they would grow stronger in t coming year.

OMEN'S DORMITORY AT OLAF COLLEGE COMPLETED

newly completed sophomore girls' rmitory at St. Olaf College opened doors to sixty students this month. All outside walls of the new East ll are of glass, which gives the ls an artist's view of the campus th the city of Northfield shaded in background. Each of the rooms s been designed to house four girls d the pastel colored walls present a axing atmosphere for study and t.

Even before the paint was dry on new East Hall girls' dorm, St. f trustees signed two architects to sign two more dormitories that are nned for completion by September 1957. Total cost of these units will over a million dollars.

E. A. Sovik and Associates of North- ld will draw up plans for a men's rm to house 168 students, and the nneapolis firm of Lang and Raug- d were signed to plan a women's rmitory which will have rooms for 6 students.

VE-YEAR PROGRAM IN CONOMICS INTRODUCED T CONCORDIA

new five-year program has been roduced into the Economics and siness Administration departments Concordia College, which provides actical as well as theoretical knowl- ge for students majoring in these lds.

Dr. Otto Nieuwejaar, Professor of onomics at Concordia College, an- unces that under this program all onomics and Business Administra- n majors will have the opportunity work in various fields of business ile obtaining their degrees.

Students taking part in this pro- am will alternate their residence at llege between the campus of Con- rdia and a cooperating business firm. ey will spend their first two years Concordia, and their next three years will be spent with one semester in residence at Concordia and the other in residence at a business establishment. Students will be admitted to the program on a selective basis considering scholarship and attitude.

ST. OLAF RECEIVES GRANT FROM DUPONT

St. Olaf College has received a grant of $4,000 from the E. I. du Pont de Nemours Company, Wilmington, Delaware, for the 1956-57 academic year.

The St. Olaf Chemistry Department receives $2,500, and the remaining $1,500 is to be used by the college to strengthen the teaching of other intellectual disciplines that contribute to the education of scientists and engineers.

The Chemistry Department is to use its grant to help achieve the most effective performance possible in the teaching of chemistry, through worthwhile activities that would otherwise not be possible. Another purpose of the grant is to stimulate student interest in studying chemistry.

CAMPUS NEWS NOTES

Sixteen *Pacific Lutheran College* seniors were chosen for inclusion in the 1955-56 edition of "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities."

They include Myrna Berg, Betty Jean Condray, Ida Jo Gronke, Ruth Heino, Delvin Hutton, Onella Lee, Tore Nielsen, Phillip Nordquist, Thelma Nygaard, Stuart Gilbreath, Elwood Rieke, Jerald Slattum, Maudie Straub, Thomas Swindland, and David Wold.

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Dr. Theodore F. Nelson, chairman of the Department of Speech at *St. Olaf College*, served as chairman of a panel discussion at the National Convention of the American Speech Association which was held in Los Angeles on December 28, 29, and 30. Dr. Nelson's panel discussed "Unique Forensic Programs."

Several other national speech organizations cooperated in sponsoring the convention. Among them was Pi Kappa Delta, national intercollegiate forensic honor society, of which Dr. Nelson is national president.

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The *Pacific Lutheran College* forensics team won seven out of a possible ten first place trophies in the Northwest Speech Tournament at Seattle Pacific College recently. Twenty colleges and universities competed.

Winners were Betty Lou Bronice, Bettelou Macdonald, Thomas Reeves, Deyrol Anderson, Richard Kreiger, Thomas Swindland, and Stuart Gilbreath.

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Faculty members at *Concordia College* are "failed or passed" by the students who take part in the course evaluation program, compiled by a Student-Faculty Forum of the college.

Under the plan students will spend one class period for each course in which they are enrolled evaluating the class and the instructor.

The program was devised last year and met with much success on the part of the students and the instructors.

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St. Olaf College announces the appointment of Charles W. Gibeaut as News Bureau Director, replacing Haldor Bly, who has accepted a position in Dubuque, Iowa.

Gibeaut, who assumed his new duties on January 3, comes to St. Olaf from a position as photographer-reporter on the Steel County Photo News, Owatonna, Minnesota. He has also worked at KROC-TV in Rochester and the Rochester Post-Bulletin.

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Dr. Stanley Olsen, head of the Christianity-Philosophy department at *Augustana College* was elected president of the Association of Lutheran College Faculties at its last meeting. Dr. Olsen has served as vice-president of the organization and was succeeded in that capacity by Dr. Oliver Graebner of Valparaiso University.

Dr. Malmin Meyer of St. Olaf College replaces Tom Killian of Augustana as secretary of the association.

Within the E.L.C.

PERSONS

The Rev. Hilmar E. Mostul, Mankato, Kansas, will move to Zion parish, Rake, Iowa, in April.

The Rev. Arne R. Carlson preached his farewell sermon in the Black River Falls parish in Wis. Jan. 29. He will be installed on Feb. 5 at La Moure, N. Dak. by District President Tallakson.

The Rev. L. O. Lasseson, pastor of the Bigfork-Somers parish in Montana, has been voted a $1,000 increase in annual salary. At Christmas the parish gave him a gift of $1,250 toward the purchase of a new automobile, and also gave him a cash gift on his birthday, Dec. 9.

The Rev. C. F. Fylling, institutional chaplain under the auspices of the Lutheran Welfare Society of North Dakota during 1955 made 725 visits to various state institutions, preached 104 sermons, conducted numerous devotional services, and distributed thousands of devotional books and booklets.

Dr. Oscar C. Hanson, ELC traveling evangelist, will be guest speaker during Spiritual Emphasis Week, Feb. 12-16 at Pacific Lutheran College, Parkland, Wash.

The Rev. Donald Hinderlie, who preached his farewell sermon in the Waseca parish in southern Minnesota on Jan. 15, will by Feb. 1 begin the work of establishing a new Home Mission congregation at Midway, Wash.

The Rev. E. V. Tande, New Town, N. Dak., has accepted a call to the Culbertson-Bainville-Sioux Pass parish in Montana.

The Rev. Ernest W. Quam, pastor of Our Savior's Church, Iola, Wis., will move to the Chetek-Dovre parish, Chetek, Wis. early in February.

The Rev. Sylvan R. Moe was given a new automobile as a Christmas gift by his parish, Trinity Church, Rapid City, S. Dak.

The Rev. Svein Tverberg, former missionary to Madagascar, is serving as interim pastor in First Lutheran Church, Wittenberg, Wis.

The Rev. L. T. Runestad, who is doing graduate study in Chicago, is temporarily serving Trinity Church, Aurora, Ill.

The Rev. A. H. Grimstad, a member of the faculty of Concordia College, Moorhead, Minn., is serving as supply preacher in Trinity Church, Pelican Rapids, Minn., until June 1, when its pastor-elect, **the Rev. Cecil Johnson,** Starkweather, N. Dak., will begin his ministry.

DISTRICTS

Southern Minnesota

Waseca, Minn. The Waseca parish, which hitherto has been made up of Grace Church in Waseca and rural North Waseca Church, is now divi into two separate parishes: G Church, with 956 members, and N Waseca Church, with 250 memb The parsonage of the latter parish r be located in Waterville. Until rec ly the Waseca parish was served the Rev. Donald Hinderlie.

South Dakota

Sioux Falls, S. Dak. As a co quence of the blessing of God u the EMV headed by layman Alvin Schock, East Side Church has vc $9,000 beyond its synodical apporti ment to Christian Higher Educat in 1956. The congregation has voted to sponsor the participation its pastor, the Rev. Selmer M. He and his wife in a visit next sumr to Lutheran World Action projects Europe.

Pacific

Seattle, Wash. On Jan. 8 a new ish secretary was installed in Der Park Church: Miss Myrtle Swinla formerly parish worker at Pouls Wash.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. T. H. Larsen

Mrs. Mary Schiltt Larsen, Tay N. Dak., widow of the Rev. Thor H. Larsen, who passed away in 19 died Dec. 15, 1955, in her 86th ye She was born in Baltimore, Maryla March 8, 1870. In 1889 she marr Pastor Larsen, who served at Coope town, N. Dak., Park River, N. Da Ada, Minn.; and Taylor, N. Dak. S is survived by eight children, 28 gra children, and 44 great-grandchildre

Hans D. Eikenes

Hans D. Eikenes, for many years member of Willow Creek Chur Overly, N. Dak., died Jan. 3, 98 ye of age. Funeral services were held Overly on Jan. 6, the Rev. Dav Genter officiating. Mr. Eikenes, brother of the late Rev. C. D. Eiken was born at Holmedal, Sunnfjo Norway, Dec. 5, 1857. Coming America in 1887, he first lived in A land, Wis., and in 1897 moved to Overly community, where he liv until he moved to Warren, Minn. 1951.

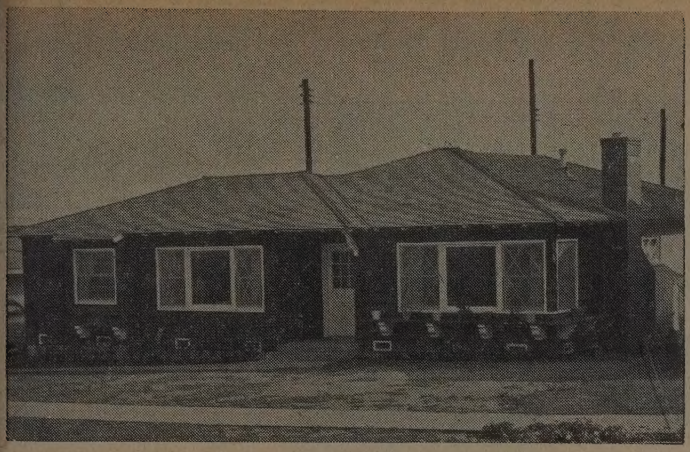
Gunder E. Gunhus

Gunder E. Gunhus, a charter me ber of Hope Church, Fosston, Min died Nov. 10, 1955, in his 96th ye He was born July 26, 1860, at Kenyo Minn. He had lived in the Fosst community since 1902. In 1885

CHICAGO AREA PARISH HAS NEW PARSONAGE

The above picture shows the $42,000 parsonage recently acquired by Trinity Church, Skokie-Evanston, Ill., parish of the Rev. David Boxrud. It was dedicated Nov. 27, 1955, by the Rev. L. O. Anderson, a former Trinity pastor.

MONTEBELLO PARSONAGE



recently acquired parsonage of Lutheran Missionary Church at Montebello, Calif., Masted, pastor.

ied Olena Halverson, who died in . He is survived by his second nee Gea Kjolhaug, three sons, daughters, seven grandchildren, eleven great-grandchildren.

YOUTH IN ACTION

ne California District Luther ue was the first to meet its quota Youth in Action, having sent it in 12, before the close of the fiscal

ANNOUNCEMENTS

uth Central District will meet in al convention March 6 in Trinity rch, Mason City, Iowa.

oorhead Circuit WMF will meet ch 6 at Our Savior's Church in rhead, Minn.

otice: The major sermons and ad-ses of the annual Mid-Winter Con-ice on Evangelism at Central Lu-n Church, Minneapolis, Jan. 12-will again be available in printed . The 1956 Conference Address may be obtained from the Divi-of Evangelism, 422 South Fifth t, Minneapolis, at $2.00 per copy.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS OF PASTORS

R. Aalen, Box 428, Sta A, Kitimat, , 1-4-56.

nes Asp., Peterson, Minn., 1-15-56.

D. Hinderlie, 23402 25th Avenue South, Wash., 1-21-56.

K. Lunder, 18409 Meridian Avenue, e 33, Wash., 1-1-56.

R. Melsness, 202 8th Street S. W., Medi-Hat, Alta., Can., 1-17-56.

rald F. Mundfrom, 1024 S. 3rd Street, St. Paul, Minn., 12-29-55 to 3-9-56.

hard L. Combs (Chaplain), Chaplains' on Headquarters, 3rd Armored Division, Knox, Ky., 1-10-56.

Walter Evenson, Luth. Mission, Mlalo, P. O. Lushoto, Tanganyika, East Africa, 2-1-56.

Norman A. Nelson, 2020 S. 21st Terrace, La Crosse, Wis., 2-1-56.

A. H. Thorsen, 884 San Jude Avenue, Palo Alto., Calif., 12-27-55.

Progress Report

LUTHERAN REFUGEE SERVICE
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January 9-15, 1956

Assurances	
To January 1	2,220
January 9-13	120
Total Assurances	6,404
Arrival of Refugees	
To January 1	61
January 9-13	320
Total Refugees Arrived	3,633

The Placement Service

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640 acre farm, Richland Co., North Dakota. Price—$64,000. Will split the section and sell half section without buildings for $27,200; the half with buildings for $36,800. Possession can be given at once, will carry a long term loan of $23,000. 449-1A

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160 acre farm, level, heavy soil. Dandy asbestos shingle house—full basement, furnace, water pressure. Hip-roofed 44 ft. barn with 30 ft. leanto. Concrete silo, other bldgs. About 40 acres in fields. Some good timber. Western Wisconsin. 449-3A

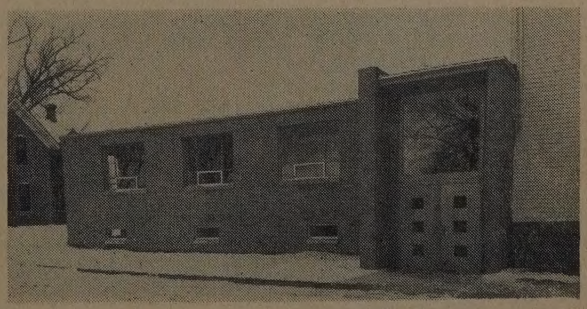
In so. Barron Co., Wisconsin, heavy soil, 243 acres. About 60 acres in fields. No bldgs. Heavy stand beautiful big hardwood sawlog timber. Wonderful creek-watered pasture. $26.75 per acre; terms. 449-4A

200 acre farm right on blacktopped highway. Quite complete bldgs. including 7 room house, full basement, hot air furnace, and elec. Two barns, 2 silos, etc. About 90 acres in field. Pasture has hardwood timber, stock water springs, some rock. Western Wisconsin. 449-5A

317 practically level acres. Good soil. About 55 acres plowland. Well fenced, including about 1½ mi. quite new woven wire fencing. Good small bldgs., 32x40 barn and 30x40 sheep shed. Elec. In prosperous western Wis. dairyland. 449-6A

120 acre farm, all modern, heavy black soil, clay sub soil. 8 mi. to Benson in west-

NEW PARISH EDUCATION BUILDING IN WISCONSIN



Pictured herewith is the new parish education building in Eleva, Wis., parish of the Rev. J. P. Hulterstrum, which was dedicated Jan. 8 by the Rev. Myron Austinson, acting president of the Eastern District. This block and brick structure contains eighteen rooms, including offices for the church staff, a chapel, and accommodations for about three hundred Sunday school pupils.

ern Minnesota. 6 room house with bath. All other buildings very good. 449-7A

Businesses

Permit drug store, modern bldg., excellent apartment above store. Good deal for going country doctor. Village has good bank, township high school, and prosperous businesses with vast trade area. Lutheran church. Southwestern Wisconsin. 449-8C

Modern grocery and general store, doing a good business with profitable side line. Will sell, lease or trade. Located in Lutheran community with new high and grade school. Owner selling because of other business interests. Southeastern North Dakota. 449-9C

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Married man with wife and 2 children would like work on farm, preferably dairy farm. Living quarters on farm. Some experience. Would like to start no later than May 1, 1956. 449-14E

Secondary school science instructor with 6 yrs.' teaching experience in senior high school wishes like position in Idaho, Oregon or Washington. Credentials and photo will be sent upon request. 449-15E

HELP WANTED

Housekeeper wanted in modern farm home, southern Minnesota. No objection to one child. 449-16F

Elderly woman wanted for housework and care for two in Wisconsin. 449-17F

Housekeeper and companion, middle-aged preferred, wanted for an elderly woman living alone in southern Minn. town. No personal care required. Good comfortable home can be offered rather than high wages. 449-18F

Couple wanted to live in house with an elderly woman. Rent free. House located on shore of beautiful lake, 9 mi. north of Fergus Falls, Minn. 449-19F

Conscientious, married man wanted for general farm work on southern Minn. farm in Norwegian Lutheran community. No drinker or smoker. Separate house with running water and water heater. Extras besides good cash wages. References. 449-20G

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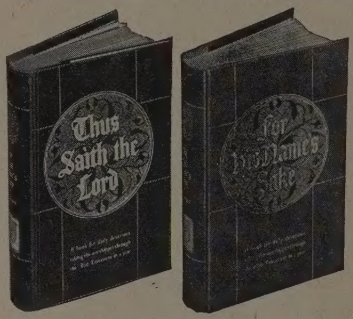

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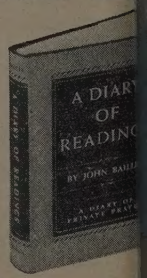

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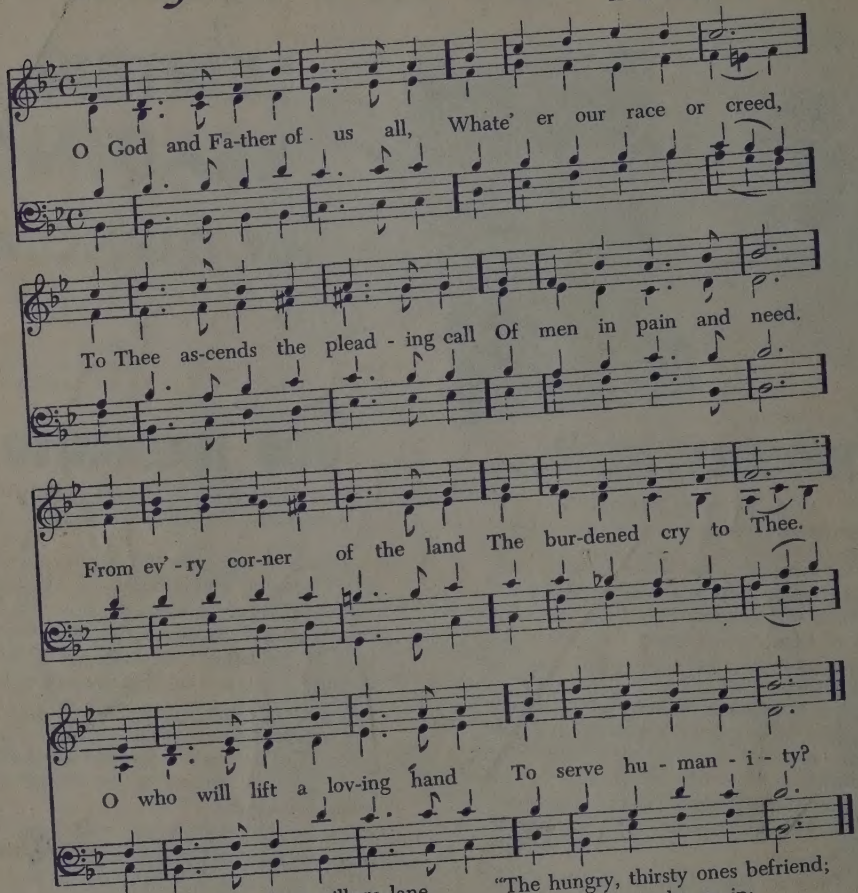
O God and Fa-ther of us all, Whate' er our race or creed,
To Thee as-cends the plead - ing call Of men in pain and need.
From ev' - ry cor-ner of the land The bur-dened cry to Thee.
O who will lift a lov-ing hand To serve hu - man - i - ty?

2. From city slum, from village lane,
From ships upon the sea,
From mine and shop, from beds of pain
Thy children cry to Thee.
They cry out in their loneliness,
In sorrow, need, and fear;
They cry out in their deep distress
In trust that Thou wilt hear.

3. O God, Thy Word before us stands
To guide us in Thy way;
"Love neighbor as thyself" commands
The Christ who speaks today.
"The hungry, thirsty ones befriend;
The stranger take ye in;
The naked clothe; the sick attend;
With love the pris'ner win."

4. O God and Father of us all,
We follow in Thy way;
We hear Thy clear and urgent call;
We yield ourselves today.
Whene'er we hear men's troubled pleas
May we of service be;
And as we serve the least of these
We do it unto Thee. Amen.

This hymn was sung for the first time at the opening service of worship at the National Conference on the Churches and Social Welfare, Cleveland, Ohio, November 1, 1955. The Rev. William W. Reid is the Methodist minister at Camptown, Pennsylvania.

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